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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

TELLICHERRY CONSULTATIONS 1734-35.

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[*From September 16, 1734 to July 24, 1735.*]

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declared by England & Holland against France, and althô the Articles signd in the time of Mr. Adams with Monsr. D'Lorme &c. do imply we are not to meddle with the Settlements of each other, or the Ships in Sight of our Flags; at Sea yet Considering the Instability of those people, we ought in prudence to keep our Garrison well mann'd, lest the Force they expect to receive should Arrive, & they proceed to Attack us in Conjunction with Cotata, Cuny Nair & others they may gain over to the Party; One Hundred & Eighty of our best men are Judged immediately Necessary for the Garrisoning the Island, and taking a view of our free Guard at this time, allowing for the proper Complements at this place Moylan Putinha Moohara & Codolee; with those that are Generaly sick, we has [sic] not above Eighty Soldiers and Sixty Seepoys to spare, suppose we should determine to keep all our People on constant Duty & which would be Attended with this certain inconveniency, that we should not have a man left in case we send them on Durmapatam for the Succouring any place that may require it, & our People in general are so little to be depended on, that the Constant duty they would in such case undergo may incline many of them to desert us; therefore an attempt of this kind in our present state, may not only endanger the Common Safety of the whole, but perhaps prove a means of causing Cotata to listen the readier to any proposals the French may make for desquieting us, notwithstanding his taking our money, & seeming satisfied with our Admittance into that Island; but as Grove Island which Juts out from the foregoing Commands in a great measure the Entrance of the rivers Codollee & Trentapatam & may greatly Annoy the Canarees or any others in whatever designs they may have that way; our gaining the Moors Consent, who now hold it, for our being there is Judged to be eligible as it is Naturaly strong, and with a Garrison of a Few men, with the addition of some works at a small expence may be rendered secure again[st] any attacks.

The Possessing Grove Island considerd of.

Agreed therefore the Linguist repair to Cannonore as soon as the weather permits and he conve[niently] can for said purpose; & that we prepare with all expedition the Necessary Advices for Bombay of these matters to be sent by the boat on departure for Goa, & that duplicate be forwarded by a small Shybar Consignd to the Chief from Bombay, which he is desired to dispatch speedily notwithstanding her intended Cargo is not in readyness.

Resolution taken.

advises for B: bay orderd to be prepared.

The subject of our Consultation of the 2d. Instant as it relates to Putinha being reassumed, & the conveniency of the works there mentiond being found absolutely necessary for the rendering it secure.

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some work at Putinha orderd to be set about.

Directed it be set about with the Necessary frugality and Care under the Inspection of Lieutenant Mendouza, who seems to have a pretty good Judgment therein & that he be allowed one Rupee a day in consideration of the Expence he may be put to, in supplying himself with provisions there.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

TUESDAY 17.

advices relating to the Canarees.

Notice is given us on which we presume we may depend, that the Canarees Actualy intend to Levy Duties on the trade in General exported from the rivers Billiapatam & Agar, Judging themselves able to effect this by means of their Fort calld Madacarra at the Entrance of the Prementiond river, and the Fortress they seem to be about raising at Eddecaud Point, which in a great measure commands the Country of Randotarra from whence our Merchants brings a large share of the Pepper provided for this place, we are given to Understand the Imposition will be for the present about two Pagodas on every Candy of Pepper, & will probably be encreased farther if the same is submitted to, the boats on Private Account sent to Mangalore for rice we are Assured can no otherewise be permitted to lade it, then by paying the Duty of one & an half Pagoda on every Corge under the denomination of Adlamee though at the latter end of the last season, they only required half a Pagoda, The proprietors therefore of those boats have determined with our Permission, to order them back empty, provided the above additional Duty is insisted on.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 18.

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

A Provision of Paddy made.

The intended encroachments of the Canarees set forth in the preceeding, give us Just reason to Apprehend we shall soon be under a Necessity of opposing their Measures & if so, we may conclude they will not permit us to bring away any Rice from Mangalore; & as what we have by us will neither keep or serve longer than to the end of January, we must either provide a Quantity of Paddy, or be subject to difficulties which will be hardly possible for us to surmount.

On Enquiring the terms we may be provided with said Batty, we are told the present time is the most Seasonable for laying it in, as the Crop is Just gatherd, & that it may probably be had at 12½ to 13 fanams the Hundred Dungoys, which Considering the Price it has bore of late years, we esteem it very reasonable.

Directed the Linguist be employd in buying two Hundred & sixty Thousand Dungoys on our Honble Masters Account, which we Judge may be sufficient for the support of our Garrison eight months.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

FRIDAY 20.

Letter from Govr. Pitt.

The Chief this Evening recievd a Letter from Govr. Pitt concerning private affairs without making any mention of the war, we have notice from the Captain of Cananore to have been declared against France, so that we may hope things are not in the state he advised.

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This Evening returnd the boat we dispatchd to Goa the 19th Ultº. with seven Hogsheads of Arrack which brings the Chief a Letter from the Viceroy dated the 11th Instant [*lacuna*] of his having despatchd the Pacquet by a light boat express to Bombay intimating how ready he shall always be to serve us in any of our Affairs, & that his endeavours have, & shall still be used for Obtaining the releasment of the William detaind by the Rajah of Carwar, & that he does not doubt of our good inclination towards favouring his people in any undertaking he may enter upon for chastizing the Carnatick Rajah whose ingratitude & Baseness in the usage of his Factor & Fortification at Mangalore he loudly complains of, the Padre Procuradore to whom the above Pacquet was also recommended mentions its being dispatchd, & that the Duplicate thereof also sent him should be forwarded by the next opportunity. FRIDAY 20. the boat sent to Goa returns.

In an Ola from Boyanore to the Chief he complains that the satisfaction promised by the Prince in the presence of us & his Ministers on the house of the Croop as taken notice of under the 11th Instant is not preformd, on the Contrary said Croop is preparing to oppose him, so that he is under a Necessity of Applying means for bringing him to Obedience hinting withall the Prince has Acted an underhand part in this Affair, which he is the rather Concernd at, since the present state of the Country requires Union & resolution for Expelling the Common Enemy, & in which undertaking he had determined to give his utmost Assistance we learn by other means of said princes secretly countenancing the Prementiond Croop. & yet Boyanore is bent on distroying him, & to which end has assembled a Considerable body of men who are Joind with two Officers Soldiers Ammunition & Cannon from Mihie which we cannot but be concern'd at, as this may Contribute to bring about a good Understanding between the French & this Potentate, & encourage Cotata to rely the more on them. DITTO DIE Ola from Boyanore.

Answerd Boynores Ola by setting forth that our endeavours in Accomodating the difference between him, & the Croop thrô means of the Prince were Actuated by the greatest sincerity, without ever imagining any complaints could Arise in a failure of those promises given in the Presence of his Ministers and us, & the rather as the Princes head Braminee had directions from him to put the same in execution, & that if any contrary underhand measures were taken, we were Actualy ignorant of them and must have been taken after the Princes departure from us. DITTO DIE. answerd.

Wrote the Prince a Letter representing that his head Braminee return without executing the Instructions given him in the presence of Boyanores Ministers & us, & that it was Judged to be oweing to some Counter Orders sent. That we cannot help complaining of this, as we are lyable to the Odious name of Decievers, & which we did not imag[ine] his highness would ever be so unfaithfull as to bring on us, especialy, as we did neither by importunitys or Council tempt persuading him, in what might be Opposite to his Inclination or Interest, & that we are fearfull in entring on his Affair with the Viceroy, after a Breach of Honour in a point of so little moment. Letter to the Prince.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. MONDAY 23.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

By a Letter from Ragonat to our Linguist recievd last night it appears to us, he is determined to Levy a Duty of one Pagoda on every Corge of Rice that we may export from the Canaree Country which we suppose he is led to, through our so tamely acquiescing in paying the half Pagoda demanded on the Rice brought away on the rose Galley & other vessels the latter end of last season, & since our submitting to one imposition naturally brings on more, the Board are Unanimous Notice of Ragonats intention to Levy new Dutys on rice.

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The Chiefs Letter to him. in Opinion, That the Chief write him a Letter, that we will not comply with the above demand, & if he is not inclinable to recede from it, then to send away the boats belonging to this place empty.

French seems willing to oppose [i]t. By the Answer Mr. Tremisot sends the Chief to his Letter on the Above subject, it seems to us the French are willing to Oppose the Intended measures of Ragonat in what relates to the foregoing since tis their Interest so to do, the Board therefore hold it Necessary that the Chief endeavour for fixing them in the same.

advises to B : bay dispatchd via Goa. The advices to Bombay being read & approved of Directed the boat Intended for Goa depart this night with the Princes and Chiefs Letter to the ViceRoy entreating him to forward our Pacquet for Bombay with as much expedition as he possibly can.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

TUESDAY 24. This morning our Linguist proceeded to the Heiress of Cananore in order to Obtain her consent for our Possessing Grove Island Agreable to our resolution of the 15th. Instant.

Linguist proceeds to Cananore.

DITTO DIE The Chief recievd an Answer from the Prince to what wrote him the 20th Instant with Assurances he has been no ways concernd in embarrassing the dispute between Boyanore & the Croop, but on the Contrary was very desirous, it might be ended in the manner Agreed on, and he shall be sorry if it happens otherwise.

Ola from the Prince.

DITTO DIE Notice is given us, that Boyanore after surrounding the Tenements of Cacada Croop in Conjunction with the French, the said Croop was by a stratagem of Cocart & Narrangole Nombiers decoyd out of his Fortress, & then compeld to Consent for the delivering up his house to be razed & twelve thousand Fanams to Boyanore for Satisfaction, so that this Affair has terminated very much to the reputation of the French, & must render them Acceptable to Boyanore, while the Prince seems therein to be totaly disregarded.

Boyanore gains satisfaction from the Croop.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 27. THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLM. JEYNSON.

Our Linguist now attends for the giving us account of his proceedings at Cananore where in discourse with the Heiress, he Actualy learns the King of Cotata did some time since by an Instrument in writing, permit of the French's taking possession of the Island Durmapatam, whenever they might think proper, & the better to set forth the Circumstances of this Affair here follows verbatim what the Linguist took down in writing from her Mouth viz

Linguist reports his Conference with the Heiress of Cannanore.

"That a Person she might confide in & who was present told her, the King of Cotata had by writing from under his hand resignd the Island of Durmapatam to the French, for their possessing it whenever they might Judge proper, but as the Prince had pretensions thereto, whenever the French executed the same, the said King should write him an Ola, & the French another, importing their being

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there was purely preserve it against the Canarees & hoped the same would be agreable to him, though in case it should prove otherwise the above King engaged to Assist the French in defending it against him.

He being asked if the above is Genuine, declares he cannot do otherwise then esteem it so, as the Heiress mentiond it without the least Hesitation & tis conceivd she must have learnt it, through the Cardamum merchant Cunhiseu of Cotata, who we presume was the only person attended the King at the time of it's delivery, & renderd thereby [our] former Enquirie about this Affair very uncertain, the Linguist Assures us, he made use of all the Arguments possible for Induceing the Heiress freely to give her consent for the admittance of our people on Grove Island, & that hers now there might be withdrawn, but as she is a person Naturaly Jealous & render'd through her present difficultys more wary than Usual, he was not able to succeed otherwise then in procuring her permission for our sending twenty five of our men thither, to remain in Conjunction with hers, as will appear by the writing she sends the Chief enterd at the foot of this Consultation.

The French designs on Durmapatam remarkd.

It is Impossible for us to know what use the French Intend to make of the above Grant, deliverd them by Cotata though we may reasonably suppose they esteem the Island of the highest Consequence in procuring them extraordinary advantage from the trade coming from the rivers thereabouts, & that in time, it may draw from us the greatest share of the Pepper, so a[s] that our Honble Masters may esteem this Settlement not worth their keeping & tis evident they have little regard who has a Legal property to the aforesaid Island meaning to act in this as they have in many other Cases, with Bullying & force, And it is our Unanimous Opinion they will not defer the Execution of their project longer then the Arrival of their Expected Ships with Supplies.

Question put.

The Chief asked the Board whither considering the risque our Honble Masters run from the designs of the French it will be most suitable for us to apply preventive means in fixing ourselves on Durmapatam, or wait for orders from our Superiours, & in the meantime pursue our resolution of entering on Grove Island.

Debate.

Debateing thereon the Board are of Opinion our Attempts in our Present Circumstances on Durmapatam may very probably bring us into an immediate war with Cotata, that we may expect disturbances from Cuny Nair thrô the French instigation (as he has not been with us to accept of the Proposals we made him) That we can have no dependance on any great Assistance from the Prince through his troubles with the Canarees, that neither the Nombiers or Boyanore are to be relyd on, especialy the latter (since he will be under a Necessity of keeping fair with the French) that our Honble masters (as appears by their letter to Bombay of the 7 March 1732 ℔ Heathcote) seem averse to this Affair, & complain loudly of there Charges; that the Gov^{r}. & Council of Bombay in their Commands of the 4th April last direct us to be cautious, and no Otherwise Authorize us to hold it, than on a Supposition the Grant from the Prince to hoist there Colours may free us from any great incumbrances, and lastly, since the Wars at this place heretofore where highly disapproved of, & our present force no wise Sufficient to answer all contingencys, conclude ourselves Unqualified for the foregoing reasons, & many more which might be Offerd, from undertaking a matter of such vast Importance without farther Instructions which we may very speedily expect in Answer to our Letters to Bombay under the 17th August & whither we agree to write forthwith by a Shybar now at this place, bound up; However as our Possessing Grove Island, which Commands the entrance of Trentapatam may be easily performd, & not attended with any great Expence; RESOLVD we endeavour at procuring better Conditions on this head from the Heiress of Cannanore, than those she sent us for our Immediately holding that place, & which for another reason we esteem preferable to Lodging on Durmapatam & which is that as the same, is very Spacious, & not in our Power to Garrison it, so as may prevent the French from holding some part of it inland, they might be induced perhaps on percieving us their, to Join

Resoluti n.

Cotata for Fortifying on such spots as might not be in o[ur] Power to remove them from, thereby bringing us into an immediate Contest, for we do not apprehend that Nation will at all consider the Island being the Sovereignty of Colastre, but rather lead us into [an] endless dispute on the title given them by Cotata.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

TRANSLATE OF WHAT THE HEIRESS WROTE THE CHIEF REFERED TO IN THE PRECEEDING CONSULTATION.

Letter from the Heiress of Cannanore.

I have considerd of the Message You sent me by the Linguist, & consent to your keeping twenty five Men on the Island in Conjunction with those of mine there, on condition that yours are paid by the Honble Company for the time I may think their abiding there Convenient, & in case any Enemy should attempt possessing Durmapatam I permit of your hoisting the English Flagg.

SATURDAY 28.

Letter despatchd to Bombay.

This Evening saild a Shybar for Bombay by her wrote the Honble President & Council a Letter of this date, advising of what Material has come to our knowledge since our last of the 19th Instant Duplicate whereof was also transmited them.

The Chief wrote the Heiress of Cananore in pursuance of our Consultation foregoing viz.

Letter to the Heiress.

Our Design in placing our people on the little Island is for preventing that of Durmapatam falling into the hand's of those, who may in such case prejudice us, If you have any certainty there is no danger of it, we are content as we are, but as we presume you can give us no such Assurance, It is but reasonable we should be empowerd to abide there until we are free from the foregoing Apprehensions, I must therefore request you will authorize us, by another writing under your hand to remain thereon as long as we both Judge Necessary, If you have any doubts be pleased to Impart them, that I may on my part endeavour to remove them.

STEPHEN LAW.

SUNDAY 29.

The Chief recievd an Instrument Sealed by the Heiress of Cananore, and writen in her own Language whose translate is as follows.

[The Heiress of [Ca]nnanores [In]strument for [ou]r holding Grove Island.

Being Apprehensive Durmapatam may fall in the Hands of other powers then what now hold it, I consent that the Honble Company may place twenty five of their men on Grove Island there to remain till we both Judge ourselves freed from that apprehension, and which person's are to be entirely at their Expence I do also authorize them to hoist their Colours thereon, whenever for the Above end it may be thought Necessary.

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DITTO DIE

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

the above Instrument taken under Consideration.

The preceeding Grant from the Heiress of Cananore being considerd of; It appears to us in some points defective; but as our Linguist Apprehends our Attempting to get another may prove ineffectual and raise in her Additional Jealousies, certainly tending to detard this Affair, we Judge there is a Necessity of Accepting

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it and the Chief be Authorized to send her a Counter paper (as enterd hereafter) and means used for her speedily sending Orders to her people there, to recieve ours which we don[t] find she has yet done.

As it Seems consistent for us to Apply means for gaining Cotata to our Interest (tho we have little hopes of Success tis proposed the Prince may be sent for to discourse on the present Affair, & try if we cannot through him finish the demand the former seems to have on Durmapatam, which is AGREED too. Agreed to send for the Prince.

The Scrivan who attends us with the foregoing Paper lets us know his Mistress hopes, that if Durmapatam should fall into the Companys hands, we will allow her a share thereof which tho we think highly unreasonable, it is not a proper time to frustrate her expectations least she sho'd tamper with the French to the entire destruction of our measures: therefore the Chief is empowerd to write the Letter which follows. Discourse with the Heiresses Scrivan. *Adjourned.* Stephen Law.

COPY OF THE COUNTER WRITING SENT BY THE CHIEF TO THE HEIRESS OF CANANORE

We consent to your proposal for our having twenty five men at Grove Island in order to prevent Durmapatam falling into the possession of those, who may thereby distress our Affairs, promising you we will withdraw them when all Apprehensions of that kind Cease, and we will defray the Expence of our own people during their stay there. Wm Jeynson the writing given by the Chief to the Heiress.

DATED SEPTEMBER 29. 1734.

STEPHEN LAW.

COPY OF THE CHIEFS LETTER TO THE HEIRESS OF CANNANORE.

HH. HOWARD.

Att present Durmapatam is neither in your Possession or ours, but should it fall to your lott we shall be perfect[ly] satisfied as then we shall be exempt from any care about it should it be attained by us we shall readily comply with any request you may make us, in order to satisfye you, assuring you, it is our entire inclination to free you from any damage which you may think threaten you on our Account. Letter to the Heiress.

DATED SEPTEMBER 29. 1734.

We have the Mortification to learn from Antonio Paies the person Appointed to Carry the Princes Ola to the Vice Roy of Goa, & our Packett for Bombay to be forwarded from thence that the Munch[ua] putting into Mulchy for water, struck on the bar, & was seized by the Canarees; but that he had torn our letters, and the Princes Ola, to prevent their falling into the hands of the Country People. MONDAY 30.

This day by Patamar from Cochin came to hand Duplicate of a Letter from our Superiours at Bombay dated the 3d Instant left there by ships Princess Louisa and Mary in their way for great Britain. DITTO DIE Duplicate of a Letter from Bombay recievd.

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THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

MONDAY 30.

On discoursing with the Prince now here, touching the Right he hath to the Island Durmapatam & the properest means to be taken for our possessing thereof in a Peaceable manner, he declares the said Island is Absolutely Annexed to the sovereignty of Colastree, & never has been esteemd any wise depending on the King of Cotata, though he did Assist this Prince in taking it from the Moors sometime since, and on which Account, he esteems himself indebted to him Twenty Conference wth. the Prince relating to Durmapatam.

thousand fanams, for so much laid out by him, when it was reduced, there would also become due to him, Twenty five thousand more, provided the Moors should take it into possess[ion] as was talked on before the Canarees entered the Mallabar Territorys, the said sum being the Kings Moiety of what they had offerd to give for it, the Prince is of Opinion this King can have no legal dispute, in case he lays down the Twenty thousand fanams exprest above, & gives a writing to satisfye the other Sum, whenever the Moors may require the delivery of it Agreable to the Proposals: However that a Period may be had to this Affair, he is desirous of sending his Head Braminee instantly to Cotata for the requiring the withdrawing his people, and letting him know the sum due to him, shall be paid and in case we find it inconvenient to Garrison it for the present he will appoint a Competent Number of his Nairs for defending it, leaving thereby the way open to us, to enter thereon, whenever we may Judge proper, but as his defraying this Expence will not be of any immediate Utility to himself he expects our Hoñble Masters will pay the Men which may be so employd, as also the sum that may be agreed on for satisfying the demands of Cotata.

Proposals made by him for secureing it himself.

Considerd of.

Taking the above into Consideration; the Methods proposed seem to us in all respects more suitable than any Others we can at present think on, since they promise peace & Tranquility for tis not to be presumed Cotata will Cavil, after resigning his pretentions & by this means, we may at leasure, when Orders from Bombay Arrive, proceed as Circumstances may then require; and since it's being secured Appears to us of the greatest Moment to the Interest of this Settlement in preventing the Canarees, or French from having footing there, it is therefore AGREED, the Prince be desired to dispatch his Braminee forthwith, & that we do engage in behalf of our Hoñble Masters to defray the Expence of keeping his people on this Island, & for the paying the sum that may be settled with Cotata.

Agreed too.

Possessing Grove Island defer d.

A permission being given us by the Heiress of Cannanore (as before enterd) for our sending twenty five of our Men on Grove Island we had determined to put the same in Execution this night; but as our being there, may give extraordinary Jealousies to Cotata, & probably thereby render him averse to adjusting with the Prince; it is the latters Opinion we had better defer [it] till an Answer comes, & conceiving for the above reasons, It is most suitable for us so to do, it is accordingly so determined.

The Princes opinion relating to the Canarees.

This Prince on mentioning the Canarees, seems to be entirely perswaded they will Actualy make a bold push this Season, for fixing themselves in the Mastery of this Kingdom, for Otherwise it Appears to him impossible for them even to Maintain what they have Acquired; he is sensible their outward friendship to him is all a feint, & founded on the dependance they conclude requisite for gaining there ends, apprehending when those are effected, they will be tempted to use him treacherous and which he says he ought to guard against, yet haveing [Our] dependance on the Valour of his Nairs, and since our Interest [is] so immediately concernd in his preservation, he hopes we will spare him Fifty of our best Men to remain with him as his body Guard, but on being made acquainted the many Fortresses we have to maintain incapacitates us from a Complyance of this sort, he then earnestly entreated our procuring for him one Hundred and Fifty able Military men, to be paid by himself, in such a manner as may be Agreed with them, offering withal to satisfye the Expence in bringing them hither from any distant part.

requests our sparing him 50 soldiers wch. is excused.

&

Resolved to write to Madras for 105.

The Board are truly sensible this Prince is a firm Friend to our Hoñble Masters, & the misfortunes which may Attend him will in a very severe manner Affect us, and as the men he has requested will at all times be as much for our Service as his, and that there is no danger of his being as good as his word, unless some extraordinary Accident befalls him, we conclude we oug[ht] to endeavour for the gratifying him, and it is Accordingly RESOLVD we Address the Hoñble President & Council of Madrass, on this Head, signifying that the Expence may be put to our Honble Masters Account, and requesting that no Expedition be wanting.

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The Munchua Appointed for the Carrying the Prince's Letter to the ViceRoy mentiond in our Consultation of the 13 Instant, being Oversett on Muliky Bar, and the said Letter being torn, as well as those containing our Advices to Bombay, It is thought proper others be forthwith prepared, and sent by a Goa boat, now on departure thither.

Directed Copies be made ready with all speed, & another Letter wrote our Superiours setting forth every Material Occurrence that has happend since the date of those Advices. Advices for Goa Bombay orderd be prepared.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HR. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

This Evening sailed the Boat for Goa, with the advices Mentiond in the foregoing Consultation. OCTOBER WEDNESDAY 2D. the boat for Goa sailes.

Wrote a Letter to the President & Council at Fort St. George Agreable to our resolution of the 30 Ultimo. THURSDAY 3. Letter to Madrass.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present FRIDAY 4.

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The following Accounts for last month being laid before the Board for their perusal are Accordingly examined & passed and enterd hereafter vizt. Accounts for September passed.

The Chiefs Treasury Account it's

Balance at close being vizt.

Rupees	3073 1 62	
Fanams	5512 — 5	

The General Paymaster his Account of disbursements, with the Warehousekeeper & Storekeeper their Accots. of receipts & Issues, also the Stewards Account of sundrys Supplied the Dolphin & Antelope Galev[ats] Amounting to fanams Four Hundred six & eleven vis which is directed to be discharged.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. JEYNSON.

1734 SEPTEMBER	CASH. DR.	Fanams vis	1734 SEPTEMBER	PER CONTRA. CR.	Fanams vis.
1	To Balance of last month ..	19202 5	30	By Hugh Howard Paymaster	12000 —
				By Canaree Invasion paid the Dolphins people in part for May, June, July, & August	1690 —
				By Balance	5512 5
		19202 5			19202 5

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1734	Rupees. Dr.	Rupˢ.	Qrˢ.	rˢ.
September	To Balance of last month ..	8718	2	17
		8718	2	17

1734	Per Contra. Cr:		Rupsˢ.	Qrˢ.	rˢ.
September	By Canaree Invasion paid the Stewards Account of Necessarys supplyd the Galevats in August		98	2	95
28	By Domengos Roderigues Advanced to buy Nealy. ..	3000	—	—	
30	By Hugh Howard Paymaster.	1200	—	—	
	By Account Presents vizt.				
	To the Prince & his Ministers comg. to the Fort	24 — —			
	To Curringhoda Nair	29 — 80			
			53	—	80
	By Canaree Invasion paid the Dolphins people in part for May, June, July. & August vizt.				
	1 Master @ 30 Rupees 4 months is	120 — —			
	1 Gunner 16 Do.	64 — —			
	1 Sarang 1 Docter & 1 Carpenter @ 10 ea ꝑ mo. is ..	120 — —			
	1 European Decd left out of the Gally 2 months.	19 — —			
	1 Tindal @ 7½, 4 Months ..	30 — —			
	23 Lascars @ 5 ea 4 Do. ..	460 — —			
	6 Topasses 6 ea 4 Do.	144 — —			
	Rupees ..	957 — —			
	deduct what pd in part fans. 1690 @ 5 ea is ..	338 — —			
			619	—	—
	By Garrison stores for 68 pieces of Cloth to clean Arms ..		44	—	80
	By Balance		3703	1	62
		Rupees	8718	2	17

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Errors Excepted
℔ Stephen Law.

Abstract of the General Paymaster his Account of Disbursements for the month of September 1734 vizt.

Garrison Charges	14112	[...]
Charges occasiond by the Canaree Invasion	3361	[...]
Fortifications & House repairs	961	[...]
Petty stores bought	338	[...]
Stable Charges	235	[...]
Board Wages	1350	[...]
Servants Wages	920	[...]
Hospital Charges	821	[...]
Charges on Merchandize	232	[...]
Tellicherry Fans ...	22667	[...]

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. SATURDAY 5.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The Prince his Head Braminee reports his Conference with the Cotata King about Durmapatam.

The Prince with his head Braminee sent to the king of Cotata comes to the Fort, and lets us know, that King seems inclinable to deliver up the Island of Durmapatam, provided the money expended by him in its Reduction be paid him, that an Annual gift of about Six hundred fanams be made good to the Pagoda Calld Malure scituate thereon, towards supporting its charge & that if we should possess it, we will engage no Moors belonging to his Country, or others his subjects, may be permitted to reside there, this he is very solicitous should be granted him, as otherwise he Apprehends a Considerable Number of his people may forsake him—the Braminee is of opinion that on the above terms he may be brought to resign this Island to the Prince, & the lat[ter] declares he has no other Intention in recieving it, than that it may be put into our Possession, whenever we may choose it, & [in] the meantime he will Garrison it, in the best manner he can with Nairs, we providing for the expence together with the Assignment of six Hundred ffanams ℔ Annum for the Pagoda premention[d] as well as for the sum due to this King.

Debates with the Prince thereon.

The Board hereupon acquainted the Prince, it would appear more consistent with his reputation to put the Honble Company in possession free from all future Incumbrances whatever, and assign what is demanded for the Pagoda in any other manner, on which he desired this Matter might be deferd till its final conclusion, promising he would Instantly write to this King for adjusting all points, send his Braminee very speedily to him, & impart to us what passes.

Grove Island deemd necessary to be possest.

Grove Island appearing to us for the reasons, set forth in our preceeding Consultation's to be of moment, & since as things stand with Cotata, there is no prospect of our being engaged in any difficulties through our immediate entrance there, in which Opinion the Prince also Assents.

which is resolv'd on.

AGREED we send this night a Serjeant two Corporals Seven Soldiers & Fifteen Sepoys to remain there, with Ammunitions, Provisions, and other Necessarys, and that after seeing in what manner we may carry up our Guns, we order there two 9 Pounders & two 4 Pounders which we apprehend will be fully sufficient for the defence of the Place, & for Commanding the Entrance of the river Trentapatam, and that we give the Serjeant the Instructions enterd hereafter.

Advices from our Callicut Linguist perused.

Our Callicut Linguist in his Letter now recievd represents, that though our Jungadoes have been at three several times at the Samorines Palace, waiting for answer to the Chiefs Letter long since sent, it has been impossible for them to Obtain one and it is there opinion, he is no ways inclinable to afford it, so that he thinks any further Application needless, the Linguist also sets forth, that one Talichenore the Custom Master of Tanore has wrote him for an Advance of Five Hundred ffanams to be discounted out of the duty on the Pepper we are to export thence, that this person may be of use to us in Obliging the Merchants to comply with their contracts, & therefore proper to gratifie him.

Directions given thereon.

Directed he complys with the above Request, provided he conceives our Honble Masters will be secured of the Amount in the end.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

TO SERJEANT JOHN CHRISTIAN.

You are hereby directed to proceed with Lieutenant Mendouza in the Tonys appointed to carry you with two Corporals Seven Soldiers & fifteen Seepoys including their Officers unto Grove Island, where you are to remain in defence thereof in Conjunction with the Moors belonging to Cananore.

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You are to take especial care in preventing any Misunderstanding, either by yourself or people with said Moors, & endeavour rather to Cultivate a good Harmony & understanding with them, as they are equaly concernd in supporting the Place against all people whatever.

When you are on the Island you are to take a proper survey what works are Necessary to be raised for defending yourselves Against the shott that may be made from Durmapatam, & you must observe in what manner you are to place Cannon for rendering yourselves Masters of the Mouth of the rivers Trentapatam & Codolee which is a point of the greatest moment to us.

Should any Tony or Munchua which you may suspect attempt to enter the river Trentapatam, you are to call them to you and examine them and if they carry Gunpowder shott, or other, warlike stores you are to detain them, sending immediate advice thereof hither for our directions, we mean though said Munchuas or Tonys should belong to any other Person whatever.

In case any Persons whatever exclusive of those belonging to the Moors of Cannanore, should attempt to com[e] [to] Grove Island under pretence of seeing it you are in no wise to permit them, but let any such know your orders are directly Contrary.

In the Observance of these orders you are on all Occasions to Consult with the Head Moor in Command of those people there, and be exceeding carefull your people do not affront or ill treat them in any respect, & to prevent misunderstandings keep your men seperate from them, yet we do not mean the head Moor is to make you desist pursuing our directions above given you, but mention this for your making him easie if possible.

We have orderd a small Tony to be constantly with you, to bring your Advices how things are with you & of what you may want, we also send now for your support the following things whose expence you are to give an Account of, taking care your People are well used, & suplied with the Provisions except the Seepoys who have their Allowance apart.

The List of Stores now sent are enterd apart and you are to let us know as soon as you can what will be required for the securing of the Place. We are

TELLICHERRY
OCTOBER 5. 1734.

Your Affectionate Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

THURSDAY 10. Advices from Callicut.

Our Callicut Linguist by a Letter recievd from him this Evening informs us he has advanced the Custom Master at Tannore Five Hundred ffanams Agreable to our directions.

SUNDAY 13. Letter from Bombay.

Imported ship "Joey" Captn. John Hill Commander from Bombay who brought us a Letter dated 3d Instant from the Honble President & Col. wherein they acknowledge the receipt of our Advices of the 17th of August & purpose giving us their directions thereon by the Europe ship they intend to send down the Coast they acquaint us that our Honble Masters have been pleased to direct by their ships Wilmington & Middlesex (which arrived the 21st & 23rd. Ulto.) Mr. Cowans resigning the Government to Mr. Horne, which has been done accordingly, they enclose an Indent of Timber to be provided at Callicut, which they recommend our setting about with all Expedition.

MONDAY 14. Letter to Calicut.

Wrote a Letter to our Callicut Linguist enclosing the Indent of Timber directed to be provided for Bombay, pressing him to have it in readyness as soon as possible.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. MONDAY
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD. 14.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

the King of Cotata's answer relating to Durmapatam taken under consideration.

Apprehending the King of Cotata might entertain a Jealousy from our Taking possession of Grove Island, the Chief sent him a Letter a few days ago signifying our being there is in Order to prevent the Canarees settling on Durmapatam, & that it appears to us he has not a proper notion of the Consequences attending their near Neighbourhood, & that we shall be glad he weighs the proposals made to him by the Prince mentiond the 30th. Ulto. and in time prevent the Mischiefs, which so immediately threaten us both : To this he made answer that as a Certain Pagoda is interested in the above said Durmapatam, he should repair to consult with the same, & in a short time come to Netture for a Conference on this head. To the same Purport he replyd, to the Ola sent him by the Braminee taken notice of the 5th Instant.

Debated on wth. the French proceedings therein.

By the above it appears to us this King is very Lukewarm and probably still means to deliver the Island to the French, we the rather suspect this as Mr. Tremesot is endeavouring to bring Boyanore to Mihie and has wrote to all the heads of this part of the Country to be present there the 16th Instant, intending as we presume to gain if possible the Approbation of all the Partys, for their being fixed thereon, and to encourage them may likely promise extraordinary things, as that they will take the Protection of this side of the Country on themselves against the Canarees and in lieu of which the trade ought to be assignd to them, and said Powers to assist in Opposing any Attempts that may be made against them by the King of Colastree.

Further Debates.

Our preceeding Consultations have been very full on the above point, & our Determination's settled, that in our present Condition, we cannot undertake the fixing thereon otherwise then with the King of Cotatas Approbation, to Obtain which no ways have been left untried & as they have been without success, & our Orders not yet arrived, we are still of Opinion we cannot proceed Otherewise than in securing o[ur] present footing on Grove Island, and for which purpose considering that place may be now call'd ours, & that we have a legal title to Durmapatam itself from the Lawfull Sovereign Colastre, as well as the sole Authority over the Pepper trade to the Noward of it & that the French coming there is in Violation of all our priviledges, wch. Natural reason & Justice Authorize us to defend.

Resolution.

It is therefore unanimously AGREED That we do from the Fortress at Codolee & Grove Island impede by Force the Entrance of any boats or Vessels whatsoever belonging to the French or others into the rivers which those places Command, & that we hoist our flag whensoever we may think it necessary on the latter, & that those of Mihie may not plead Ignorance of our Pretentions, The Chief write as from himself to Mr. Tremisot the Letter enterd hereafter.

Whether to write Cotata & Boyanore be necessary this time Debated.

Judged not convenient.

It is debated whether the writing Cotata and Boyanore touching our pretensions to Durmapatam and the Sincere desire we have of keeping the Canarees from Molesting this part of the Country may not be eligible as it may probably render them wary in their Proceedings, but considering how base a people the Mallabars are, and how ready some of their Ministers might be in communicating all that we write to the French. It is Judged as best to remain quiet, untill we can gain the proper Intelligence of their Intentions, & we recieve our Instructions how far our Superiours are determined to support our Honble Masters Priviledges in opposition to those Violencys which we conceive the French are desirous of using.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

— *OCTOBER 1734* —

To Mr. Tremisot Chief of Mihie.

Sir,

Letter to Mihie.

As a Friend I ought to have advised you before, That upon the design the Canarees had in May last to settle themselves on Durmapatam (which was prevented by us) and the probability there may be of their renewing the same design in prejudice of the Publick & us, we have thought proper to fix ourselves on Grove Island for securing that of Durmapatam since the same has belonged to us for sometime past. I am

Tellicherry,
October 15, 1734.

Sir,
Your most Humble Servant,
Stephen Law.

Tuesday 15th.

This Evening the Chief recievd an Answer from Mr. Tremisot translate whereof is as follows vizt.

Sir

To Mr. Law Chief of Tellicherry.

I have recievd the Letter you wrote me this day never doubting but you will always pursue such measures as may be most suitable to your Conveniency. I am very perfectly & with all Attention possible.

Mihie,
October the 26th. 1734 *N.S.*

Sir,
Your most Humble Servant,
Tremisot.

Att a Consultation

Present

Saturday 19th.

The Worshipfull Stephen Law Esqr. Chief.
William Forbes. Hugh Howard.
Willm. Jeynson.

Interview between the French and Nombiars at Mihie.

Notice is brought us by our spy that on the 16th the four Nombiers repaired to Mihie when the French endeavourd at reconciling their differences with each other & settling between them & Cuny Nair a firm friendship; This point not being attainable Mr. Tremisot then proceeded to represent how much their Company are interested in this part of the Country & how suitable a general union would be for preserving it against the attempts of the Canarees, that Cotata being at present the most exposed they ought to Approve of the Company's force being placed in such a part of that Kings Country, as may secure it against the Invaders, the Nombiers in Answer alleged the endeavouring to rout the Canarees by a Strict Union between the English, French, & Country was to be prefered to any other measures, & in which undertaking, they did not doubt of the Princes ready concurrence but the French hinted that was a point which rather related to the English in particular, as the Canarees are at present in possession of their trade & who with the abovementiond Prince Assisted in bringing them into the Country, so let them look to themselves, while they & the Powers hereabouts pursue the means for their Mutual Safety; This proposal was accepted by the Nombiers, who were dismissed with a Present of about ninety Rupees each, on promise of returning when the King of Cotata comes that way.

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It is evident to us the French are Aiming at being fixed on Durmapatam in Order to secure to themselves the Pepper trade of Cotata, Irrebanadu, and Cartanadu, supposing we shall be then excluded from any share therein, however as these Country people are only in all points Contriving to promote their own Interest, should we attempt at Frustrating the French measures, we shall be under a Necessity of Launching out considerable sums, engage to take on ourselves the keeping out the Canarees, and in the end through the Treachery and Villainy of these people by the French Bribery be exposed to have all our undertakings overset, and the Natives encouraged the more to play the game which they are very much enclined to, of making a bargain of us both; Therefore considering our want of orders, with the uncertainty of every Negotiation enterd into with these people, that we are or may be Masters of the Sea Coast and the Pepper must be Carried by land to Mihie, & that we may likely get it as well as they, provided we give as great a price for it, that after the French paying ever so much, we may employ the disunion of these people thro the means of presents, & assistance of our Prince to our advantage we conclude our appearing unconcernd at this time, till we see in a better manner the Disposition of Boyanore, and Cotata is most convenient, least through our over haste, we should make a false step equal to that we enterd into, in excluding the French from Accomodating between the Moors & Canarees in November last, for since we are assured, had we let them go on in their own way they had been engaged in Numerous Difficulties, and have reaped nothing in the End but shame & reproach.

Taken under consideration.

Resolution.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

In answer to what we wrote our Callicut Linguist concerning the Provision of Timber for Bombay; he says that from the Present Scarcity thereof he apprehends it Impossible to comply with the Indent by the End of November, especialy that for the powder mill, of Forty one Feet long and twenty eight Inches Square, for he doubts even in an Hundred trees if one can be found of those Demensions he however assures us no pains or endeavours shall be wanting to comply with the orders given him

MONDAY 21ST.

Letter from Callicut.

This Evening the Chief recievd an Answer from the ViceRoy Accompanying Another to the Prince of the 25th Instant N.S representing that as the King of Canara & his Ministers seem desirous of giving him a Competent Satisfaction for the Indignityes offerd his Nation; he is willing to waite a little to try that Event, & if the same should not Answer his expectations, he will readily embrace the proposals Offerd, and take Speedy Measures in concert with us & said Prince, the Letters recommended to his care for being forwarded to Bombay, he advices would be dispatchd in two days after the above date.

FRIDAY 25TH.

Letter from the ViceRoy of Goa.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

TUESDAY 29.

Our Callicut Linguist in a Letter recievd from him this day, That the Heir of Durmet Ponicary is no wise inclinable to pay the Interest due on his debt to the Honble Company, & is of Opinion that should we relinquish it, the Samorine

advices from Callicut perused.

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in Particular would insist on the same, & therefore desires our Orders in what Manner he is to proceed with the Former, he likewise acquaints us that Suamy Putturah tenders his service in procuring Pepper for us as he did last year.

Directions given thereon.

Taking the above into consideration, It is AGREED, that we direct our Linguist to demand the full Interest from Durmet Ponicary, and that he continue his Arrest for that purpose, & on Considering the Extravagant price, we paid for the Pepper procured by Suamy Putturah last season, with the small Quantity he deliverd us, and the hopes we have of a plentifull Crop this way we esteem it most eligible not to accept of his offers.

Notice of the French preparations for settling on Durmapatam.

From the Preparation's the French of Mihie are makeing & the Current report in the Country we have great reason to suspect they have a design of fixing themselves on Durmapatam Island very speedily, but whether it proves so or not, we conceive through the want of Orders & the reasons set forth in our preceeding consultation's we cannot in prudence do more than cause the Entrance of the rivers Codolee, & Trentapatam to be well watchd and the utmost Annoyance given them from the former Fortress & Grove Island, with all that we send out our two Galevats with the Utmost Expedition for guarding the shore thereabouts & as two more Guns of 6 & 4 Pounders appear Necessary for said Island Directed they be sent thither forthwith & the works thereon compleated with all speed.

Resolution taken.

Message from the King of Cotata.

The King of Cotata by a messenger now sent gives us to understand he expects sixty one thousand fanams being paid down previous to his admitting us on Durmapatam, with a restriction that part of the lands there may remain as the property of some Moors who had formerly a title thereto, other places to be assignd the Pagoda with some salt Pans & half of the Customs of the rivers to be allowed him, with other things equaly extravagant & unreasonable: however as the keeping him in suspence by Amuseing Arguments till we know what determination our Superiours may come to, seems the only method for us to take. AGREED we use such for the Present.

The steps agreed to be taken.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLM. JEYNSON.

RIDAY 1.

The King of Cotatas proposal for our Possessing Durmapatam.

In pursuance of our Resolution taken the 29th Ultimo, endeavours have been used for the Amusing the King of Cotata in hopes of gaining time until the Arrival of the Expected Europe ship from Bombay, but said King is too wary & will not on any Account be put off, for he insist's on our giving him a positive Answer, if we are content to possess the Island Durmapatam & pay him Fifty thousand ffanams for it, attended with a Present on Condition that from the moment we accept it, he enters into a faithfull Friendship with the Honble Company & allows them the full use and priviledge in carrying on the trade through his Country, signifying that the French are exceeding eager & offer him a much larger sum provided he will admit them thereon.

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The great Influence this Island has on the trade of the Cotata Country, as well as on Randotarra has been amply set forth to our Superiours and from the best advices we can get should any other European Nation hold it this Settlement will be of little use to our Honble Masters, for to have the French North & South of it possessing Boyanores Country & that of Cotata, the Canarees Masters about Agar, as well as to the N°ward. It is even to be doubted if we should be able to provide a sufficient quantity of Pepper for the dispatch of the ships intended home this season, the conclusion from what Appears to us would be, that either the Company must endeavour to Rout them, be the Expence & trouble how great soever, or bid adieu to their future Interest at this place after spending such immense sums in Support of it the Case being thus & we under a Necessity of declaring one way or other to Cotata, with the hazard we infalibly run of his Introducing the French should we decline excepting [sic] his proposals, & that he may on the coming in of the new crop, assign the produce of his Country to them in Compliance with his promise reflecting withal that we have no orders to hold it, but on a Supposition it will cost Nothing, & the little inclination our Hoñble Masters have shewn on this point, renders us exceedingly at a loss in what manner to direct our Conduct, Yet as we are on the spot, & consequently better Judges of times & circumstances than others at a distance and our Superiours at Bombay have been pleased in their Letters of the 3d November 1733 & 4 April 1734 to place a Confidence in our Zeal & Integrity by permitting us on sudden Occasions to act in the most rational & most suitable Manner, as Contingencies may offer, we do esteem ourselves under the highest Obligation and duty, to prevent as well as we can those evils which a further delay in the present case may Occasion, and therefore as it appears to us by the best dictates of our reason, that the Island of Durmapatam can only preserve the trade to this settlement, & that if we do not embrace the present Occasion we may not meet with another for Obtaining it Otherwise then at the hazard of very great Expences, & an uncertain Issue, & depending on the Justice of our Hoñble Masters & Superiours in weighing our Intentions right. Debated on.

RESOLVED we accept of the Terms offerd us by this King forthwith, & the person employd in the negotiation be empowerd to signifie the same to him, & that said King be prevaild on to come to the Fort in order to settle this Matter, as also for giving us a proper Writing in Testimony of his Friendship & Security for our enjoying in an extensive manner the trade of his Country. Resolution.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Our two Galevats being in readyness proceeded this Evening to their Station between Edecaute Point and Codolee. FRIDAY 1ST

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. TUESDAY 5
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The several accounts relating to the affairs of this settlement for last month being laid before the board for ther [sic] Inspection are Accordingly examined & Passed as enterd hereafter Vizt. Accounts for October passed.

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The Chiefs Treasury Account its Balance at close being viz[t]

Rupees		185	2 66
Fanams	62 5 —		

The General paymaster his Account of desbursements with the Warehousekeeper & Storekeeper their Account of receipts & Issues also the latters Account sale for the months August, September & October amounting to fanams two thousand five Hundred Twenty five & four vis which is paid into the treasury.

The Stewards Account of sundrys suplyd the Dolphin & Antilope Galevats Amounting to fanams Eight Hundred nine & five Vis which is directed to be discharged.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

ABSTRACT OF THE GENERAL PAYMASTER HIS ACCOUNT OF DESBURSEMENT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1734 VIZT.

Garrison Charges	14136	—	1[...]
Charges occasiond by the Canaree Invasion	4600	—	7
Fortifications & house repairs	1427	—	4
Stable charges	185	—	1[...]
Board wages	1350	—	[...]
Servants wages	930	—	—
Hospital charges	769	—	5
Charges on Merchandize	205	—	8
Petty charges	271	—	4
Fanams	23876	—	5

ACCOUNT SALE OF STORES FROM THE 1ST. OF AUGUST TO THE 31 OF OCTOBER BEING THREE MONTHS VIZT.

Iron Europe 1143 lb to the Gombroon Merchant	571	8	—	
Smiths pay 8 days works. 620 lb of Do.	93	8	—	
Iron work 8 lb	8	—	—	
Nailes 12½ lb to Sundrys @ 1½	18	12	—	
1 Adze	10	—	—	
Twine 4 lb Europe & 2 lb Bengal	12	—	—	
1 Chizel	3	—	—	
1 Lantern	15	—	—	
2 Cow Hides	30	—	—	
57 Yards Dungaree	36	—	—	
5 Cartouch Boxes	25	—	—	
Lead Balls 100 poize 9 lb	6	12	—	
1 lb Europe Match	2	—	—	
20 Flints	1	4	—	
1 Carbine	37	—	—	
Copper Plate 1¼ lb	6	—	—	
Salloes 4 ps red & 1 blue	57	8	—	
Goa Arrack 2 Hogsheads	200	—	—	
Lead 30 lb	15	—	—	
1 Small Cardamom Chest	15	—	—	
			1163	4 —
Damaged rice 227 bales sold at 6 fanams each			1362	— —
Fanams			2525	4 —

ERRORS EXCEPTED
WILLIAM FORBES.

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		Cash.	Dr.	rups.	Qrs.	raes
1734	1	To Balance of last month		5512	5	—
Octo-	9	To Rupees Exchanged Rupees 600...		3000	—	—
ber	31	To Stephen Law Esqr. borrowd & recievd ...		815	—	—
				9327	5	—

		Per Contra.	Cr.	rups	Qrs	raes
1734	5	By Canaree Invasion paid the Antelope Galevats				
Octo-		people in part for May, June, July & August.		1350	—	—
ber	31	By Hugh Howard Paymaster		7915	—	—
		By Balance		62	5	—
			Fanams ...	9327	5	—

		Rupees.	Dr.			
1734	1	To Balance of last month		3703	1	6
Octo-	7	To Account Bombay receivd of Thomas Rout said				
ber		to be the nett amount in his hands belongg. to				
		the Estate of Jonas Johnson		633	—	4
	31	To Stephen Law Esqr. borrowd & recievd this				
		day		1917	—	—
			Rupees ...	6253	2	7

		Per Contra.	Cr.			
1734	4	By Garrison Stores Vizt. 151				
Octo-		℔ Brass Plate bought at				
ber		Cannanore for	151 — —			
		30 ream Goa Paper for Car-				
		thriges	75 — —			
				226	—	—
		By Canaree Invasion pd the Steward for				
		Necessaries supplied the Galevats in Sep-				
		tember		81	1	3[5]
		By Gram for 56 Bags bought for		242	3	5[...]
	5	By Canaree Invasion paid the Antelope Gale-				
		vats people for May, June, July & August				
		in full		500	—	—
		By Account Presents to Canajee Nombier for				
		his Feast of Ona		22	—	—
	9	By Cash Exchangd for Fanams 3000 @ 5 ...		600	—	—
		By Garrison Stores for 2 Guns 9 Pounders				
		bought to put on Grove Island poize				
		62—1—14 @ 7 ℔ Ct.... ...	436 2 50			
		2 Carriages for Ditto ...	30 — —			
				466	2	5[0]
	14	By Domingo Roderigues to buy Nelly ...		2000	—	—
	31	By Hugh Howard Paymaster		1917	—	—
		By Account Presents gave the Prince on his				
		comg. hither		12	—	—
				6067	3	4[1]
		By Balance		185	2	60
				6253	2	7

Tellicherry
October 31. 1734.

Errors Excepted
℔ Stephen Law.

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WEDNESDAY 6. Imported our Hoñble Masters Ship Middlesex from Bombay Captain William Studholm Commander by her recievd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Council dated the 14 Ult° enclosing Invoice of treasure & stores amounting to rupees Fifty six thousand Four hundred & Seventy, & Eight raes with sundry Paragraphs of our Hoñble Masters Letter dated the 15th March 1733 ℔ ship Wilmington relating to this Settlement & Copy of an Oath prescribd by them to be taken by all their Servants of the Age of twenty one years: they are pleased to direct our making a provision of seven to Eight Hundred Candys of Pepper for compleating the Tonnage of the four ships they purpose sending home this season, & ten thousand Pound weight of Cardamoms; they have permitted the Gentlemen at Anjengo to send us ten thousand rupees, with a Quantity of Fanams, and in January they intend Sending us a parcel of Gold which they are endeavouring to procure at Suratt, & such a farther supply as may be Necessary; but forbid our making use of the Order before sent us for taking treasure out of the Europe Ship, they direct our Loading on this ship Five Hundred Candys of Pepper, with the Timber indented for. In answer to our Letter of the 17th August relating to the Island Durmapatam they say, if we apprehend the French or Dutch are endeavouring to get it, and are well Assured that the Canarees or King of Cotata will give us no disturbance, should we possess it, and hoist the British flag thereon, and this can be done by laying down forty five thousand fanams to the King of Cotata, & twenty thousand more to his Ministers, they permit us to hold it, but on no other terms, & direct our being very plain & particular on this subject in our next advices for their coming to a final resolution thereon, they permit our writing off the books Chautoo Chittys debt of Fanams four Thousand ninety four.

Letter from Bombay ℔ Middlesex.

THURSDAY 7. Saild ship Joey for Cochin.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 11. THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Letter from the King of Cotata. By a Letter from the King of Cotata to our Linguist we understand he is willing to resign to our Hoñble Masters the Island of Durmapatam on the terms set forth in our preceeding Consultation; but he expects we will allow him a Moyety of the Customs of the river, to finish this Matter he purposes comeing this way very Speedily declaring he will preserve with us an inviolable Friendship.

Resolution thereon. As it will be impossible for us to give a finishing Stroke to the above affair without seeing this King, we are under a Necessity of waiting till he arrives.

Cunhiseu the Cardamom merchr. advs. 2000 rups. Our Superiours having directed a provision of about eighteen Candys of Cardamoms to be laded on the Ships intended home this Season, and the Merchant Cunhiseu solicited for an advance of Two thousand Rupees on account this Commodity.

Directed the treasury Issue out that sum to him.

Oath Prescribed by the Honble Company taken. In Complyance with the Orders recievd by the Middlesex from the Hoñble President & Council of Bombay for the Covenant servants taking an Oath of Fidelity to our Hoñble Masters William Forbes, Hugh Howard, William Jeynson and Richard Lynch now perform the same, the Chief thinking it unnecessary for him having taken one to the same Effect at Bombay.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

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This Evening saild ship Middlesex for Anjengo, by her wrote the Chief & factors a short Letter mentioning therein the ten Thousand rupees & Fanams our Superiours advise to have directed them to send us. SATURDAY 9TH. Letter to Angengo.

Arrived a French Europe ship at Mihie from Pondichery of about three Hundred & fifty Tons. MONDAY 11.

Imported ship Narcissus Captn. James Maule Commr. from Madrass Messrs. Noah Casamajor & Edmund Fleetwood Supracargos. SATURDAY 16.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 18.

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Whereas there is now lying at Callicut two Hundred ten Candys & a quarter of Pepper purchased last year on our Honble Masters Account which the bringing up here in Munchuas, will subject us to a great expence, & as the Middlesex is under a Necessity of calling at that place in her way [for] Anjengo to take in the Timber provided for Bombay. Pepper at Callicut orderd to be shipd on the Middlesex.

AGREED we direct our Linguist to Load said Pepper [on] her as expeditiously as possible, & that we Lodge a Letter for Captn. Studholm, directing his recieving it aboard, & making the best [...] way hither.

As for the Purchase of the Eighteen candys of Cardamoms our Superiours have directed us to provide, we shall be [in] want of Venetians, and since there is no probability of recieving any in time from Bombay, & the exchanging them, seeming us to be easier done at Cochin, than any Place hereabouts, Ag[REED] the Chief be permitted to write to Ezekiel Raby the Head Merchant [of] that place for his sending by the first ship bound hither, on as reasonable terms as possible to the Amount of Sixteen Hundred which we may repay him for by any of the ships bound down. Quantity of Venetians orderd to be procured at Cochin.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Wrote a Letter to our Callicut Linguist, enclosing another for Captain Studholm Agreable to the foregoing resolution. MONDAY 18. Letter to Callicut.

In a Letter recieved from our Callicut Linguist he inform's us of his being in want of Cash, & requests we will send him a supply thereof to the Amount of Eleven thousand Fanams. FRIDAY 22. Letter from Callicut

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ATT A CONSULTATION. MONDAY 25.

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The King of Cotata sends from Netture two Messeng[ers] to express his Willingness, that we should hold the Island Durmapatam, provided we will consent to his haveing one half of the Customs that may Arise therefrom which we Suppose King of Cotata sends his Messengers hither.

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concerning the Island Durmapatam. he the rather insists on now, as the French are Actually at this tim[e] treating with him about this place, & to concert measures for it, they have at several times lately assembled the Minister's of Boyanore, Nombiars &c[a]. whom we find endeavour to Animate them in this scheme, in expectation their so doing, may produce a Rupture between our settlements; & thereby give the deceitfull Mallabars an Opportunity of gaining considerably from each Party, through the men they will be willing to lend in such case to both sides.

[Deb]ated thereon. We continue Steady in our Opinion that this Island, provided it should fall into the hands of any Other Europe Nation, will greatly prejudice the Trade & Interest of this settlement: Our Superiours also are so sensible of it, that they have been pleased in their Commands of the 14 September to Authorize our gaining it for Forty five thousand ffanams to the King of Cotata, & Twenty thousand in Presents, which sum comes pretty near what we have Offerd; & which indeed this King has Accepted as Appears in our Consultation of the 8[th] Instant: whether he is now about to alter his Mind thrô the Temptations laid by the French or Mallabar like has in View to gain more Money from us, we cannot be certain; but prove his Intentions howsoever we cannot suppose our Superiours will Approve of our resigning half the Customs of that Place, after paying so Considerably for it, exclusive of the large disbursements which must Unavoidably Attend the making fortifications, & providing for their Garrisons especialy when it is considerd that this King has no Legal Title, or Pretensions to the sovereignty thereof, as it is Actually understood by every one to be the immediate property of Colastree & Cotatas demands Arise merely thrô a debt contracted with him by the Former at, & since its reduction. Weighing therefore all circumstances; It is our Unanimous Opinion, That we abide by the terms Offerd us by Cotata, and that we continue our Vigilence in Guarding the Entrance of the rivers Trentapatam & Codolee, & in case

Resolution taken. the French should secretly get thereon that we have our colours ready to hoist on a small Fortress now Garrisond by Narranports Nairs at the point of that Island in the Pay of our Prince, and which we esteem preferable to the doing it forthwith at the Hazard of an immediate Rupture with Cotata.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

TUESDAY 26. Wrote a Letter to our Callicut Linguist recommending to him the utmost dispatch in lading the Pepper, & what Timber he may have in readyness for Bombay on the Middlesex arrival [...] & remitted him by a Munchua Two Thousand Rupees.

Letter to Callicut 2000 rup[s]. remitted thither.

WEDNESDAY 27TH This morning Imported ship Robert from Bombay Captain Walter Grant by her recievd a Letter from the Honble President & Council dated the 5[th] Instant, in answer to those we wrote them under the 19. & 28 September, enclosing an Invoice & [Bill] of Lading for one Chest of Treasure & stores Amounting to R[upees] twenty nine Thousand Five Hundred Seventy nine three qu[ar]ters & Five Raes, with an Indent of Timber for Gombroon, also an Order to the Commander of the King William to p[ut] ashore here all the Soldiers & Officers he may bring out with the Engineer & Bombardier, and for the delivering us such w[ares] like stores as we may have Occasion for, they send us also a Commission for Mr. William Kerr to act as Lieutenant at this place, and a reinforcement of two Commissiond Officers, Four Serjeants, Four Corporals, Twenty two European Centinal[s] Two Drummers & an European Gunner Bon[...] examing the Treasure abo[ve] mentiond 28 Gubbers were wanting.

Letter from Bombay.

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ATT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. THURSDAY 28.

WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Substance of our Superiour Directions relating to Durmapatam Island.

Our Superiours at Bombay having been pleased in Answer to our representation under the 19. & 28 September, give us their directions in their Letter of the 5th Instant recieve[d] last night, relating to the Island Durmapatam, we shall her[e] insert the substance thereof, for the squaring our Measures as near as possible thereto, They say notwithstanding our Honble Masters do not seem to approve of their holding the above Island, Yet as it is of such Consequence by the Influence it has Over the trade of this Settlement, and it's falling into the Hands of the Canarees, or any Europe Nation, may render this Place of little Benefitt hereafter; and therefore they are come to the subsequent resolution's.

That if before the receipt of these Advices the French or Canarees have not settled themselves thereon we immediately endeavour for Possessing it in the name of our Honble Masters & Hoist the British Flag, first gaining if possible the Assent of the King of Cotata, and such other Mallabar Powers, as we think would otherwise Oppose us, and which we are to effect by Bribes or such other means as we shall Judge Eligible, allowing us to Launch out Money According to the Necessity we may be under for so doing: but if we find when this arrives either the French or Canarees to have Actualy taken possession, we are by no means to Hazard an Attempt upon either, but return back the Forces we may Judge Supernumerary by the first Opportunity Yet should we prove Successfull in this Enterprize, that these Orders reach us in time, and we do gain footing on Durmapatam in the manner Above recommended, what Violence may be Offerd by the Canarees, French or others we are to Oppose in the most Vigorous manner we are Able; taking to our allyance in such case Those of the Mallabar powers, as are willing to Join us; though on the whole they remark we must not engage in this undertaking or put our Honble Masters to any expence without a rational view of Success, and which we are Maturely to weigh before we enter on a Matter of such Importance, & we are also to be Cautions not to pay down the Money to Cotata which may be Agreed on, for our holding it, untill we are in Actual possession Further as they apprehend our being on Grove Island will in no wise facilitate the present Enterprize, they direct our desisting from that undertaking.

taken under Consideration.

Weighing the Above directions with all possible attention we observe our Conduct set forth in the preceeding Consultations quadrate very well with the present Instructions in the point we have been endeavouring at for gaining a quiet Admittance on that Island from the King of Cotata on paying him a sum for that purpose but since the French are very eager in obstructing our measures & seating themselves thereon, & which perhapes may be no otherwise able to prevent, than by making a pus[h] [in] secureing it forthwith, and run a risque of a war with Cotata, do not percieve our Orders speak so plainly to this point as [may] be wishd, nor have we a reply given by our Superiours to wh[at] we wrote them under the 28th September Exprest as follows, [the] French have extended Views even if possible by Artifices, a[nd] Hostilitys to wrest the trade from our Honble Masters, & we w[ish] the proper measures may be applied for preventing them, & [that] the Several Insolences they at times shewd us had been resent[ed] so as that they might have been deterd from renewing the[m] that we may not in the end be thought too tame in suffering them to proceed according to their wonted Manner, we desire to have your plain & positive Instructions, whether we are [to] hinder by force their Entering the rivers of Trentapatam & Cod[olee] from Grove Island, or by

any other means we can, & if we may Appear Openly against them in Conjunction with our Confeder[ates] should they by secret means get on the Island Durmapatam before your Orders Arrive.

Therefore on the foregoing heads we are left to the Guidance of our own Judgment, & for taking the Necessary Resolutions the Chief asks the board in the first p[lace] whether we may from the present danger that appears of the French designs, and the uncertainty of our Agreeing with Cotata, endeavour by ourselves & Prince, or only by means of him to secure this Island forthwith, by secretly entering a Competent number of men into its Fortresses, & drive away those belonging to the Prementiond King, or if secondly we oug[ht] to abide by our former Resolutions in endeavouring to Accomodate Amicably with Cotata for our Admittance, and in the meantime from Grove Island, Codolee and our Galevats hinde[r] all that in us lies the French or any others from entering the rivers which those places Command.

Considerd. The Board after seriously weighing [the] case, and the Melancholy Consequences that must attend this settlement should the aforementiond place fall into the hands of the French do unanimously concur in Opinion, That since we have not given over all hopes of gaining the consent of the King of Cotata, we ought to pursue the means we are now using for that end, and in the Interim that we continue our Orders & Vigilance in preventing the Access of any boats or Vessels into the rivers of Trentapatam or Codolee, & the better to preserve our Claim to Durmapatam, we keep our Colours privately on one of the Fortresses faceing the sea, & lying between Codolee & Grove Island now Garrisond by the Nairs of Narranport in the service of our Prince giving directions for their being hoisted on the Appearance of any French Vessels about to enter the river, & that the same be done on Grove Island, And as our Hoñble Masters have obtained a Grant from the Prince Cunhi Homo to possess Durmapatam, whenever we may think proper, which Cotata through the Instigation of the French, seems Contrary to all Justice & reason, desirous of embarrassing, and as the shore thereabouts lies under our Guns, the trade likewise being granted us sometimes since, we think we may on such equitable Grounds use the means in our Power for resisting those violencies which may be attempted by the French. And it is RESOLVD Accordingly that we continue our Instructions to the officer on Grove Island (which are enterd hereafter) the Masters of the two Galevats, & Codolee for their opposeing by force of Arms the Entrance of any Vessels belonging to the French as Aforesaid.

Linguist Orderd [to] Cananore. The Heiress of Cananore being desirous of seeing our Linguist to discourse as we suppose on the present affair, AGREED we proceed to her forthwith.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
Wm. FORBES.
Hh. HOWARD.
Wm. JEYNSON.

To ENSIGN THOMAS FISHER.

SIR

Haveing appointed you to take Charge of Grove Island we shall now proceed to give you such directions for your conduct there as Occurs to us at this time Necessary.

You are to preserve a perfect understanding with the Moors of Cannanore now with you & prevent what in you lies any abuse being committed by your people to any of them.

You are to keep a strict watch towards the Entrance of the river Trentapatam, and take especial care no Tony or Munchua go in, or come out thence without being examin[ed] by you; If any such should be found to have Powder ball Pepper

or Cardamums, you must detain them, & give us Notice thereof, but [if] they should carry anything else you are to lett them pass, but in case any Tony or Vessel belonging to the French or any other Euro[pean] Nation should Attempt entering the river you are in no wise [to] permit them, and if any such should persist after your Hal[ting] them, and firing a shott to bring them too, & they will not regard you are to sink them if possible though should they come to you let them civily know you cannot permit of their going in without Orders.

We sometime since Lodg'd a Flagg with the Serjeant and a staff is now placed to hoist it thereon, but you are not to let the same fly unless you percieve the French ship standing to the N° ward, & coming near either your Island or between it & Codolee then you are immediately to hoist it, & Observe the same metho[ds] should you percieve any white flag on Durmapatam at what time soever.

In case you should find our People at Codolee fire shott att any Vessel about to enter that River, & you percieve, you are also capable of Annoying them, you are to do it in the best manner you can taking care your Guns are always in due readyness, as well as the wall pieces.

These our Orders you are to keep secret in such a Manner, that no one whatever is made acquainted with them & we depend on your diligence in the discharge of the trust reposed in you. We are

Your most Affectionate Friends

TELLICHERRY
Nov^R. 28. 1734.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.
WILL^M. JEYNSON.

FRIDAY 29. reports his conference with the Heiress.

This Evening returnd our Linguist from the Heiress of Cananore who Acquaints us of the King of Cotata's haveing wrote a Letter lately setting forth how eager the Prince is for our being admited on the Island Durmapatam, desiring to know if she had any intention of holding it, that he might Accordingly square his Measures. The Heiress promised at last on the Pressing Instance of our Linguist to return this King for answer, that his resigning this Place to the English, would be perfectly Agreable to her, & by his so doing she would not hereafter make the Minutest Complaint: Tis said at Cananore, the French are pushing with all earnestness to gain this Island, & have Actualy got a promise from Boyanore & part of the Nombiars, that they will send eight Hundred men to support them there, while the French enter the rivers leading thereto under cover of the Europe ship now lying at Mihie.

DITTO DIE Letter from Fort St. George.

Receivd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Council at Fort S^t. George dated the 29^th Ultimo in Answer to ours of the 3^d which they acquaint us did not reach them till the departure of all the Shipping for this coast, so that they are deprivd of an Opportunity of sending the Assistance of men we requested of them & desire to know if it be of such consequence as to answer the Charge of hireing Vessels for that purpose.

Saild ship Robert for Cochin.

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Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The Moors intention relating Durmapatam.

Notwithstanding the Heiress of Cannanore did yesterday promise our Linguist she would write the King of Cotata in Approval of our being Masters of Durmapatam, Yet we now understand after consulting some of her principal People, she is desirous of recieving it on paying that King the sum formerly promised provided the Agreement be made in our presence & with our Approbation.

Cunhiseu who is the bearer of this Message (attended by one of her Scrivans) we are well Assured has been employd by the French on their behalf to gain the Moors Consent for their admittance and in the main seems to favour their Interest more then ours therefore it behoves us to be cautious that we do not demonstrate any inclination of Opposing the Moors in their point, least they should side with the French, & who perhaps may be willing to embrace such proposals tending to serve the Moors, which we might not think convenient to do on our parts: Considering this therefore and that in all humane Appearance, we may in the end conclude this affair much to our Interest, & withall by gaining the [Moors]on our side Joind with the Prince, may render Cotata more wary then ever in admitting the French, which is a point we Judge very Momentuous at present, It is thought proper for the foregoing reason to try this Event Apprehending that should we not even take this Met[hod] they might underhand subject us to more embarrassments than ever.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
W. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

SATURDAY 30. Recievd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist wherein he informs us his haveing recievd the two thousand Rupees remitted him the 26th Insta[nt] which he has exchanged at four fanams & ten Vis each.

DECEMBER MONDAY 2. The King of Cotata sends a Messenger with a letter to the Chief, desiring the Linguist may be sent to him forthwith for discoursing on the Bussiness in hand relating to Durmapatam.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 3. THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Linguist reports his Conference with Cotata.

Yesterday our Linguist repaird to the King of Cotata in pursuance of his request, & after a great many harangues setting forth the high value we ought to put on the Island Durmapatam, th[e] Advantageous offers made him by the French, as well as the Moor[s] for their Admittance there, he said to all other Considerations he prefered our friendship, & was determined the said Island should be placed in our hands not doubting but we will weigh his title to the Custom ariseing from the trade there, and being indebted Considerably to the French whose Friendship he must forfeit by the regard shewn us, he [was] immediately in want of a Loan of one Hundred thousand fanams and Fifty Firelocks; Our Linguist

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Assures us he did represent the unreasonableness of this request, as well as the Advantages that will result to his Country through our Admittance on that Island provided he steadily pursues fair measures in Maintaining a reciprocal Friendship.

Considerd. We cannot in any wise doubt the French haveing endeavourd in the most earnest manner for sometime past, in depriving our Hoñble Masters of the said Island, nor of their being willing to give a very large sum of money for gaining it, and as the Mallabars are in General very self Interested, & in a particular manner this King; we conceive no time ought to be lost in secureing to us a place of such Consequence, but as our Standing Orders are not to advance money in Loans to these people the complyance with his request in that article is out of our Power.

Resolution. Therefore, it is AGREED we make such an excuse to this King as may prove least disagreable to him, letting him at the same time know, provided he is determined to deliver the place over to us, we shall be ready to comply with whatever he can in reason expect from us.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM FORBES.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. THURSDAY
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD. 5.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Accounts for November Passed. The following Accounts for last month being laid before the board for their Inspection are Accordingly examined & passd as enterd hereafter viz

The Chiefs Treasury Account its Balance at Close being viz

Rupees	...	... ...	...	37051	— 46
		Vens Tale	wt.	Gubrs Tale	Wte
Chequeens	...	4000	3979 1.	2972	2937

The General Paymaster his Account of disbursements, with the Warehouse-keeper & Store keeper their Accounts of receipts & Issues.

The Steward also presents his Account of Sundrys Supplied the Dolphin & Antelope Galevats with their Detachment of soldiers amounting to Fanams Eleven Hundred Six & Five Vis which is directed to be discharged.

Advices from the Heiress of Cannanore. The Heiress of Cannanore sends the Chief a Letter representing the dangers which may Attend the pursuing her Scheme for gaining entrance on Durmapatam as the Canarees from some notice they have recievd, seem already very Jealous thereof, & we conceive Monsr. Louet who has been lately at Cannanore, has terrified her also from this undertaking S[he] desires therefore we will not disapprove of her desisting & which purpose, she now sends us an Ola to be deliverd by [us] when we think proper, to the King of Cotata importing that she will give over all claim to the Island, provided the said King p[uts] us in possession of it.

Answer given. AGREED the Chief returns her a civil answer expressing a satisfaction in the Confidence she places in us.

The Princes Head Braminee & our Messenger reports their Conference wth. the King of Cotata. The Princes head Braminee as well as our Messenger sent by us to the King of Cotata for finishing the depending Affair of Durmapatam do now return, letting us know this King on pret[ence] of his being under a Necessity of paying off a Considerable am[ount] to the French as part of what he owes them, continues still very Urgent for our lending him one Hundred thousand ffanams [as] otherwise he can think of no Methods whereby to satisfie the[m] but after those we sent had represented the unreasonableness, [as] well as impossibility of our complying with

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this request, he dismissd them on promise that he will in Three days endeavour to settle his Accounts at Mihie, & fix the time for paying his debts at certain periods, in order for his then taking immediate resolution in delivering to us the Island on the terms he has Accepted with us, which Appears in our Consultation of the 1st Ultimo.

Debated on.

The delays & Fickleness we find in the King of Cotata gives us to much reason to believe he has either still an intention of placing the French on Durmapatam, or has in View from the Anxiety he supposes us under for getting it, to Oblige us to launch out more money, than by his Agreement, he ought to expect, but it is the opinion of the Princes Braminee that nothing but the latter motive governs him, and which ou[r] Linguist absolutely concurs in founded on the improbability that this King should run the risque of breaking with the Prince us [and] the Moors on a point, wherein the former has all the reason and Argument of his side, And therefore it is there opinion the best policy will be to Appear lukewarm, without neglecting the secureing such places on the Island as are Garrisond wholly by Narranports Nairs in the pay of our Prince & us, & those in Conjunction with Cotata & the better to demonstrate the Princes resolution in not suffering his right to be wrested from him. It is proposed that thirty men be immediately appointed as an additional force on the largest Fortress thereon, to remain in our pay though in the Princes name, which tis presumed will be a necessary step for inducing this King to comply the sooner with his Engagements.

Resolution.

The board after duly pondering the present circumstances, & the Intelligence gaind from those in Confidence with the King, which seems to tend to our favour, do concur in Opinion of their being a much greater probability of our Succeeding in our design than the French in what they are pursuing, and as our Honble Masters always prefer Amicable means to the contrary, and since the expence of thrity men in the Manner set forth above cannot amount to much, It is AGREED for the present they be continued at our Expence, & all possible means used for fixing this King in the performance of his Engagements Apprehending should we give him hopes of more money, It might rather delay than hasten the matter, as he is a person remarkable for Avarice & cunning.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

ABSTRACT OF THE GENL. PAYMR. HIS ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1734 VIZ.

	Fanams	vis
Garrison Charges	16453	—
Charges occasioned by the Canaree Invasion	5412	15
Fortifications & House repairs	1303	4
Fire Wood Charges disembarking & Carrying	195	8
Stable charges	52	8
Board Wages	1350	—
Garrison Stores for new casteing a bell	223	8
Servants Wages	930	—
Hospital Charges	738	—
Hospital Stores	250	—
Charges on Merchandize	236	12
Petty charges	428	14
Tellicherry Fans ...	27574	5

1734	Rupees.	Dr.	Rupees	Qrs
November 1.	To Ballance of last month		185	2
6.	To Account Current Bombay recd ₱ Middlesex		50000	—
		Rupees	50185	2

[...]

1734	Per Contra.	Cr.		Rupees	Qrs
November 1.	By Stephen Law Esqr. pd. what borrowd in fans. Rupees			2080	—
	By Cunhiseu of Cotata advanced for Cardamums			2000	—
26.	By Callicut Factory sent thither for Charges.			2000	—
30.	By Hugh Howard Paymaster...			3644	1
	By Petty stores under the Paymr. for 600 bales Chunam bot.			111	—
	By Garrison stores for 3 Corge Cow hides bot. for			82	—
	By Account Presents given at the Princes Sisters Marriage viz.				
	1 ps China Damask	22			
	In Silver	24			
			46		
	To the Prince on going away as usual.	12			
	To Canajee Nombier...	2			
	To the Princes Braminee 10 Covits damask	8			
			22		
			—	68	—
	By Account Current Bombay viz.				
	Paid Abdol Rezick Subedar to be stopt from the Seepoys pay to their Families at Bombay as ₱ list to be sent Advanced here...	200	—		
	Ditto, Gundu Naik Ditto	100	—		
				300	—
	By Dolphin Galevat pd. their wages for September October & November	702	2		
	By Antilope Ditto	532	2		
				1235	—

1734	Per Contra.	Cr.	Rupees	Qrs
November 30.	By Chautoo Chitty paid him for 19. 1 Pepper deliverd in by him to this day more than his last Contract of 140 Candys @ 84.	Ca Md	1600	— 8[...]
			13120	2 2[...]
	By Ballance		37065	— 4[...]
		Rupees	50185	2 6[...]

1734	Chequeens.	Dr.	Ventian tale	Ventian wte.	Guber tale	Guber wte.
November 27.	To Account Current Bombay ...		4000.	3979–1	2972.	2937

1734	Per Contra.	Cr.	Venitians tale	Venitians wte.	Gubbers tale	Gubbers wte.
November 30.	By Ballance		4000.	3979–1	2972.	2937

1734	Cash.	Dr.	Fanams	viz.
November 1.	To ballance of last month		62	5
5.	To William Forbes Storekeeper for his Account for August September and October.		2525	4
		Fanams	2587	9

1734	Per Contra.	Cr.	Fanams	viz
November 5.	By Canaree Invasion paid the Steward for sundries supply'd the Dolphin & Antilope Galevats in October		809	5
	By Hugh Howard Paymaster		1778	4
		Fanams	2587	9

Tellicherry.
November 30, 1734.

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Sailed ship Royal George for Bussorah & Narcissus for Mocho. THURSDAY 5.

Our Callicut Linguist in a Letter recievd from him this day informs us that notwithstanding his using his utmost diligence for providing the Timber of the sorts requird he has not been able to get ready more than these of the following dimensions viz. FRIDAY 6. Letter from Callicut.

1 Tree of 24 Feet long & 16 Inches Square.
1 Dº. 16 Dº. 15 Dº.
12 Plank 16 Feet long 15 broad & 9 Thick.

He is of opinion it will be impossible for him to provide the Pieces of Forty one Feet long and Twenty eight Inches square either of Teak or Poon.

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Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

SATURDAY 7.

Cunhiseu the Cardamom Merchant being now here, he is asked what Quantity of that Commodity he may be able to deliver us this season, and the price he expects, to which he gives Answer, that he is under a necessity on Account of some money he borrowd of the French in April last, to deliver them ten Candys and that the remainder shall be for us, though as his people are not returnd from the Hills, he cannot be certain how many may be left, as to the price he insis[ts] on Ninety seven & an half Venetians the Candy (the terms of last year but after sundry Arguments and Expostulations he is brought to Acc[ept] of Ninety Six which being in our Opinion pretty reasonable. Cardamoms contracted for at 96 Vens.

AGREED we recieve what he can give us not exceeding eight Candys on the above terms, and that we present him with a piece of China silk as Usual on such Occasions.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Imported ship Heathcote and Tryal Brigantine from Bengall and the Middlesex from Anjengo, by her recievd a Letter from the Chief & Factors there, enclosing an Invoice Three Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety one and an half Dollar wte. and one thousand four Hundred Twenty five Rupees, one Quarter sixty two Raes Amounting in the whole to Ten Thousand Rupees the sum they were directed by the Honble President & Council of Bombay to remitt us, but their Gold Fanams not being proper for this place they thought it adviseable not to send any. MONDAY 9. Imported ship Heathcote.

Sailed ship Heathcote for Bombay and Tryal Brigantine for Gombroon; by the former wrote the Honble President & Council a Letter of this date in Answer to their Several Commands of the 13 October 6 and 27 Ultimo setting forth at large the state of this Settlement. TUESDAY 10. Letter to Bombay.

Notice is brought us of the French having a design to Join the King of Cotata with Cuny for disturbing this settlement & particularly for Surprizing Moohara, on which a Subedar & Twenty five Seepoys were Instantly Appointed for the better Securety of said Place, in Conjunction with Narranports Nairs. DITTO DR Curringhodas designs for attacking of Moohara.

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THURSDAY 12. THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Middlesex dispatched for Bombay. Captain William Studholm Commander of ship Middlesex, signifyes to us by Letter, that he can take aboard no more Goods on the Hoñble Companys Account than the Four Hundred fifty one Candys & Eleven Maunds of Pepper recievd at Callicut and this place with the Timber & desires his dispatches for Bombay.

Fair Advices to the Hoñble President & Council being prepared are perused, signd & made up, & deliverd the Commander with his sailing orders.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

DITTO DIE Letter to Bombay. This Evening saild Ships Middlesex & Joey for Bombay, by the former sent our Books of Account's Diary and Consultations with a Letter to the Hoñble President & Council setting forth the State of this Settlement and Duplicate of what we wrote them the 10th Instant ℔ Heathcote, enclosing Invoice & bill of Lading for the Pepper, Timber &ca. put aboard this ship amounting to Fanams Two Hundred and Ten Thousand Six hundred Twenty & thirteen vis.

SATURDAY 14. Arrived ship Severn from Bengall Captn. John Castles Commr. Messrs. Edward Davis & Mordocai Walker Supracargos also ship Robert Capt. Water Grant from Cochin.

MONDAY 16. Att the request of our Prince, Four Tonys & a Guard of Soldiers were sent Yesterday to bring him hither.

TUESDAY 17. Imported ship Richmond from Bengall Captn. Samll. Sutcliff Commr. said Captn. & John Roberts Supracargos.

Sailed ship Severn for Gombroon.

DITTO DIE Pattamars from Madrass with letters for Bombay. Two Pattamars Arrived this day from Madrass with letters directed for Bombay who informs us that thro the troubles in the Country they are not able to proceed further by Land, & desire they may be sent thither by some of the Shipping.

DITTO DIE The conduct of Edward Davis Supracargo of ship Severn Remark'd. On the Arrival of ship Severn the 14th the Chief Supracargo Mr. Edward Davis proceeded to Mihie, & the Second Mr. Mordocai Walker came ashore here, A Munchua was seen to go on board belonging to the French and carried away as tis said some Casks of Madera, The 16th at night we are informd Mr. Davis returnd and this morning Another Munchua was seen aboard which we are told carried some bags of Pepper how much we are uncertain, the Chief speaking to Mr. Walker then ashore, of the Apprehensions he had of a prohibited Trade, been carried on in prejudice of our Hoñble Masters, he was Acquainted by Mr. Walker that he was entirely Ignorant thereof, we on our parts should have taken the due notice of this proceeding, had we not dreaded any Remonstrances from us to the said Mr. Davis, Might be treated with the same rudeness & Contempt, as he Committed in the time of Mr. Braddyl, & perhaps our Attempting to examine the ship, might have occasiond, through the unaccountable behaviour of this Gentleman, some violent Measure which we were unwilling to hazard, as our Superiours have not thought proper to Lodge with us suitable directions in cases of this kind.

WEDNESDAY 18. Arrived ship Edward Captn. Ralph Kellet Commander Edmund Massey Supracargo from Bengal, also the Charles Capn. John Evens from said Place.

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We are credibly Informd that instead of the King of Cotatas sending to the French for setling his Accounts with them as taken notice of in our Consultation of the 5th Instant, he pressd for another Loan of Thirty thousand Fanams, which was complyd with, and Mr. Louet with some other Gentlemen repaird to visit him the 17 & continued there till this day, what Bussiness they went about we are as yet uncertain, but must Suppose their Intentions are still if possible to gain a footing on Durmapatam, & withall exclude us from having any share of the Pepper produced in the Cotata Country, in pursuance of the Scheme they last year laid. THURSDAY 19. Advices relating to the French & Cotata.

Saild ships Richmond Edward and Charles for Bombay also the Robert for Gombroon by the former wrote the Honble President & Council a short Letter of this date, enclosing duplicate of our last ℔ Middlesex of the 12th Instant, with the Letters from Madrass and the Pattamars who brought them proceeded on her. DITTO DIE Letter to Bombay.

This day the Prince came hither & dispatched his head Braminee to the King of Cotata in order to demand his consent for our Admittance on Durmapatam. DITTO DIE The Princes head Brauninee sent to the King of Cotata.

Returnd the Princes Braminee from the King of Cotata who Informs us of his being Willing to put us in possession of the Prementiond Island on our paying him sixty one thousand Fanams that he is desirous of meeting the Prince to concert measures for driving out the Canarees, and after seeing him purposes to come hither for settling with us in regard to said Island. SATURDAY 21.

Returnd the Pattamars to Madrass with our Letter to the Honble President & Council in Answer to theirs of the 29th October wherein we desire in case any Conveyance should come this way they would be pleased to send us the recruits but not to be at the Expence of hireing Vessels for that purpose. MONDAY 23d. Letter to Madrass.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present DITTO DIE

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The Prince Cunhi Homo represents to us the great reason he has to fear the Canarees will very speedily reinforce their Army, and Assume to themselves the Government of the parts about Agar and Billiapatam, when probably it may be very little in his power to prevent the exactions of Tribute, Customs &ca. Impositions he makes no doubt they will be inclinable to lay, and that the detriment thereby will equaly effect our Honble Masters Interest at this Settlement, through the stoppage of the great Quantitys of Pepper we usualy Export from the district of Randotarra, in which the said Agar is Scituated; to provide in time therefore against these Mischiefs, he askd us that if supposing the King of Cotata, Boyanore &ca. Powers this way do engage in an attempt for routing the inconsiderable Number of Canarees now in the Country, whether we will engage in the Confederacy by Assisting with Rice Ammunition &ca. and take upon us, as far as we are able to prevent the relieving their people by sea he providing for the Expence, and that we may be in Cash, he will previously lay down Three Hundred thousand Fanams, adding we ought not Conference with the Prince relating to the Canares.

to slight these proposals since it is not in his Power to offer better and longer delays may leave our Priviledges in the Utmost danger of being lost through the inability that may be in him even to support himself.

Remarks thereon.

Our Superiours in their Several Instructions to us seem to have a Just Idea of the Mischiefs which threaten this Settlement from the Canaree Invasion, and we are sensible the remarks made by this Prince are well ground for we cannot suppose from the immense expence those people have been at, they will at once leave the Pepper Countrys (which are infinitely more valuable than their other acquisiti[on] to continue in the possession of the Mallabars, nor can w[e] in prudence hope they will suffer us or the French to enjoy the present Liberties granted us, And therefore effectual mea[ns] must be employd in prevention of those many evils which must unavoidably attend us should these Conquerors fix themselves in this Country.

Question put to him.

The Board however previous to the taking our resolutions ask the Prince how far we may depend on the French's Conjunction in the proposed design, or if we may rely on their remaining Neutar withal now we are to be supplied with money, after expending the Amount he proposes to Lodge with us, since the War may be prolongd thrô sundry Accidents, and that an Attempt of this kind ought not to be undertaken without a becoming resolution in the Several Partys which may be engaged in it and a Sufficient Fund provided for it's Support.

His Answer.

The Prince in Answer to this says he has Cause to believe the French will be obliged to Join in the Common Interest Yet if they should not he will Manage it so with Cotata, Boyanore & the other Powers as that they may enter into Joint Articles for assisting him in treating the Settlement of Mihie as at Enmity with him for disregarding the Publick wellfare; as for his depositing more money he says it is Impossible for him to do it, since his treasure is so low, but whenever they enter on Action it will be feazable for him to raise sufficient by Tribute, and taking from such Pagodas as are suplyd therewith; and when we consider his present Condition the danger he in particular will be exposed to, he hopes we will not be laying obstacles in his way tending to overthrow a design Immediately Calculated for our Interest as well as his.

Debates.

The Board from what has been lately experienced in the conduct of the Mallabars, can have no great Opinion they will Appear Vigorous after being so long of the loosing side, nor can we be certain of meeting with the Approval of our Superiours thrô our Accepting the sum of money the Prince offers to lay down Yet as we are verily persuaded the Continuance of the Canarees in this Country must Absolutely in time render this Settlement of little Utility to our Honble Masters, & that there is no way of removing this Evil but by a forcible Attempt & our seeming backward may not only disgust the Prince but also dishearten the Mallabars in General, It is

Resolution.

AGREED we give him hopes of our Conjunction with him provided there Appears reasonable Grounds to hope for success, and that there be no failure in the Supplies Necessary for carrying on the War.

Discourse wth the Prince relating to Durmapatam.

Notwithstanding the many promises given us by the King of Cotata for our holding the Island Durmapatam on paying him sixty one thousand Fanams, we are now told he will not comply therewith, untill the Canarees are removed on the other side of Billiapatam; Our Prince on this Occasion loudly Complains of our conduct in treating with this King on a Matter wherein he is no wise Concernd, and as it appears to him, his view is purely to Extort more money from us, as well as the French intending in the End to assign it to us, he purposes Instantly to proceed in person and take possession of all it's Fortresses, and then deliver the same to us in a quiet & peaceable Manner or if we do not Approve of this for the present we may waite a small time longer to try the Effects of our application with Cotata being persuaded he will not nor can he deliver it over to any other.

Resolution relating thereto.

Though it is Possible should the Prince proceed in taking this Island forthwith no manner of disturbance may Arise, Yet as there is on the other hand a probability it may otherwise happen and we engaged in wars and disputes with Cotata thrô the Instigation of the French Attended with great Expences & Uncertain Issue

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to the depriving us of the means of bringing the Pepper from his Country wanted for the returning ships, It is Judged most Elegible for us still to Apply Amicable Methods with this King, & as the Prince promises to perform what he above offerd at any time hereafter, we think we shall be secure enough from the French Attempts on this place, while we continue to Support the people now in our pay thereon, and maintain our Authority over the Entrance of the rivers.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Imported Caudery Grab John Donaldson Master from Bombay. TUESDAY 24

Arrived the Cumberland Galley John Rawlinson Captain and Supra Cargo from Bengall. FRIDAY 27

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Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

SATURDAY 28

Our Merchant Chatoo Chitty setts forth to us that as the time Approaches for purchasing Pepper from the several Petty traders therein, he is in want of cash for this purpose & therefore solicites for a suply to the Amount of ten Thousand Rupees in that coin and Venetians. Chautoo Chitty applys for an advance of 10000 rupees.

The Board are sensible that in order to secure a timely Provision of Pepper The said Chitty must deliver out to the Country people sufficient to engage them in his service, and therefore it is AGREED he be supplied with six Thousand Rupees & one thousand Venetians rating the latter at nineteen fanams & an half each in consideration of their being now in greater demand then in times past. Rups. 6000 Vens. 1000 complied with.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
HH. HOWARD.

Notice is brought us that a Moorman belonging to this district passing through the King of Cotatas Country was sett upon by his Nairs who wounded him in such a manner that he dyed Instantly, upon which the Chief wrote said King an Ola Complaining of this Barbarous Action, and desireing the offenders might be punishd for the same to which he returnd the following Answer: that on his leaving Netture notice was brought him of the Fact complaind of, when he immediately sent people to examine into it, and Assures us he will cause the Murderers to be Chastized as they deserve. DITTO DIE One of our Moor men killd by Cotatas Nairs applied to for [. . .]. Promises to give satisfaction.

Sailed the Cumberland Galley for Gombroon. JANUARY THURSDAY 2

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Present

FRIDAY 3 — THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

A Provision of rice considerd.

As there is a Current Report of the Portuguese intending to distress the Canaree Coast, & put a stop to the Exportation of Rice therefrom on Account of the Indignities offerd their Factor & Fortress last rains, and as likewise tis Confidently said Raganat the Canaree General is returning to the Camp with a Considerable Force to effect the intended Conquest of the Mallabar Country, we have great reason to apprehend these Commotions may impede our being supplied with Rice for the support of this Settlement unless timely & effectual methods are taken for preventing it, and since this is a point of very great Importance, The Board are Unanimous in Opinion that we do immediately commence procuring new Rice to the Amount of Four Thousand Bales at this Place, and if hereafter we have an Opportunity of bringing hither from Mangalore directly a further supply, AGREED we lay in the whole Eight thousand Bales as we Apprehend so much may be wanted for the Garrison in the year.

Agreed to be Made.

Advices from the Callicut Linguist perused & considerd of.

Our Linguist in a Letter recievd from Callicut last night, gives us Notice that the French are buying up Pepper at Tannore at four Hundred new fanams ℔ Candy which Answers nearest to Ninety Rupees & an half (and that the Merchants to whom he has deliverd money are pressing for His repairing thither to recieve the Pepper they owe & settle the Price which in his Judgment will not be less than Eighty nine & an half Rupees the Candy as this Commodity at present is in great esteem at Callicut, & Forty five Candys of old Pepper brought from Cochin sold at Thirty six Narodys, value One Hundred & four Rupees; he desires therefore to know, whether he may proceed to Tannore, and open the price on the best terms he can or instead thereof, recover back the money he has deliverd with the Interest due from the time it has been in the Merchants hands.

Resolution thereon.

The Board perusing their Instructions given by our Superiours, it appears we are to procure this Commodity on the best terms we are able, and that the Shipping now on departure home might not be disappointed through the delay that may arise in bringing in the Pepper at this Place we were induced to make the prementiond provision at Tannore, as the Crop that way is much earlier Collected than in these parts and as we cannot be certain how soon we may be able to secure a Quantity here for the returning Ships, nor on what Conditions, Our directing the Linguist to repair to Tannore for weighing the Pepper and settling his price on the best terms he can is Judgd to be more eligible than recovering back the money with Interest.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Wrote a Letter to our Callicut Linguist agreable to our foregoing Resolution.

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MONDAY 6 — THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Accounts passed for December.

The following Accounts appertaining to the affairs of this Settlement for last month being presented to the Board for their perusal are Accordingly examind & passd as enterd hereafter viz

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The Chiefs Treasury Account its Balance at close being viz[t].

Rupees			28687	1 3
Foreign Silver	3891½			
	Venetians tale	wt	Gubrs. tale	wt
Chequeens	2900.	2883.4.	2420.	2390.5

The General Paymaster his Account of disbursement with the Warehouse-keeper & Storekeeper their Accounts of Receipts & Issues—the Stewards Account of sundries supplyd the two Galevats & their detachments amounting to fanams One thousand three Hundred sixty & fourteen vis which is ORDERD to be discharged.

The Account of Salary due to the Hoñble Companys Covenant Servants at this place commencing July 2[d] 1734 & ending the 1[st] Instant amounting to Rupees Seven Hundred Thirty two is directed to be paid ou[t] of the Treasury.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
WM. JEYNSON.

ACCOUNT SALARY DUE TO THE HOÑBLE CAMPANYS COVENANTED SERVANTS AT TELLICHERRY COMMENCING THE 2°. JULY AND ENDING THE 1[ST]. JANUARY 1734/5 INCLUSIVE.

PERSONS NAMES—										
		1734								
The Wo. Stepn. Law Esqr.	Chief ..	2d. July.	1 Janury.	6 —	£40	— —	20	— —	160	—
Willm. Forbes.	Senr. Mercht.	Ditto.	Ditto.	6 —	40	— —	20	— —	160	—
Hugh Howard.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	6 —	40	— —	20	— —	160	—
Willm. Jeynson.	ditto.	ditto.	ditto.	6 —	40	— —	20	— —	160	—
Ditto.	for readg. ..	divine	service.	6 months.		..		..	72	—
		1734	1734/5							
Richard Lynch.	Writer ..	2d. July.	1 Janary.	6 —	5	— —	2	10 —	20	—
						Rups.			732	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ STEPHEN LAW.

1734 Decem-ber	Rupees. Dr.	Rupees	Qrs.	rs.
1	To Balance of last month	37065	—	4[...]
10	To Account Current Bombay recd from Anjengo	1425	1	6[...]
13	To Issaf Tannore in part of his debt ...	932	2	—[...]
		39423	—	8[...]

1734 Decem-ber	Per Contra. Cr.			Rupees	qrs.	rs.
5	By Dolphin Galevat pd the Stewards Account of sundrys for Novr. & Charges of Detachmtt.	144	1 55			
	By Antilope Do. ...	76	3 50			
				221	1	3
23	By Hugh Howard Paymaster			400	—	—[...]
	By Charges on Merchandize pd the Warehousekeeper for Charges embaling & shipping 258 Cand Pepper on the Middlesex.			67	2	—[...]
	By Account Presents for 1 ps Gold flowerd Damask given Cuhiseu on making a Contract for Cardamoms			35	—	—[...]
28	By Chautoo Chitty to buy Pepper			6000	—	—]...[
31	By Hugh Howard Paymaster			4000	—	—[...]
	By Accot. Presents given the Prince at Going as usual			12	—	—[...]
				10735	3	5
	By Ballance			28687	1	3
				39423	—	8

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1734 Decem-ber	Foreign Silver. Dr.	Dollr.	Wt.
10	To Account Current Bombay recd from Anjengo...	3891½	—

1734 Decem-ber	Per Contra. Cr.	Dollr.	Wt.
31	By Balance	3891½	—

1734 Decem-ber	Chiqueens. Dr.	tale.	Venetians. wt.	Venetians. tale.	wt.
1	To Balance of last month ..	4000.	3979.1	2972.	2937

1734 Decem-ber	Per Contra Cr.				
16	By Cuniseu of Cotata advs. him for Cardamoms.	100.99 :	6½.	350	—3
20	By Ditto.			202	— [2]
28	By Chautoo Chitty to buy Pepper @ 19½ wt.	1000.995.8.8		--	—
		1100.	1095.6.	552 5.	[..]
	By Balance ..	2900.	2883.4.	2420.23.	[..]
		4000.	3979.1.	2972.29.	[..]

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ABSTRACT OF THE GENERAL PAYMASTER HIS ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 1734 VIZ

Garrison Charges	16384	10
Charges occasiond by the Canaree Invasion	3510	3
Garrison Stores	157	—
Fortification & House repairs	562	4
Fire wood	83	—
Stable Charges	52	8
Board Wages	1350	—
Servants Wages	930	—
Hospital Charges	851	12
Charges on Merchandize	188	—
Petty Charges	349	5
Fanams ...	24418	10

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD. WILLIAM JEYNSON.

THURSDAY 9

Provision] of] rice Agreed | to] bemade at Mangalore.

We have notice that a Portuguese Frigat is Arrived at Mangalore, in order as tis presumed either to accomodate their Differences amicably with the Canarees, or to send Notice to Goa for a greater fforce that they may begin Hostility on them, And since we know not in what manner this Affair may terminate we Judge it proper to loose no time in Secureing the rice Necessary for the support of the Garrison with all expedition And Accordingly it is AGREED that one Antonio Paies the Person we employd last year be dispatchd as soon as possible to Mangalore in a Tony with Five Hundred Venetians for Contracting for one Hundred Corge of Rice to be sent hither on the Munchuas we shall appoint to bring it & to whom we may transmit what money may be farther wanted for the payment thereof.

Adjournd.

FRIDAY 10

This Evening dispatchd Antonio Paies to Mangalore wh[o] carried with him Five Hundred Venetians for the purchase of rice Agreable to the above resolution.

SATURDAY 11

Arrived ship Elizabeth from Bengal Captn. Andrew Shepard Commander George Williamson SupraCargo, & salid this Evening for Bombay, by her wrote the Honble President & Council a Letter of this date, Setting forth the State of the Settlement since our last of the 19th Ultimo, Duplicate of which was transmitted them.

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SUNDAY 12 THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Prince Cuni Homo request 80 of our Military men.

Read a Letter from the Prince Cunhi Homo to the Chief, representing that as he has some reason to Apprehend treacherous Practices from the Canarees touching his person he desires that Thirty of our Military men be sent him forthwith, to remain as his body Guard for some time, and that in this he doubts not of our Complyan[ce] since all his people as well as himself have ever shewn [all] readyness in Supporting our Hoñble Masters Interest, as well as their Settlement.

It is Observed that our performing this Princes request may be a means of Involving us in some dispute with the Canarees, Yet as the preservation of his person so immediately Concerns us, and as he is the only fast Friend we have to rely on, and that it is to his Affection, we owe the Freedom of our Trade as well as many other advantages we are Unanimous of Opinion we ought not [in] prudence to make any Scruple in obliging him.

AGREED therefore we send Ensign Henry Kendal with Thir[ty] Military men as soon as possible to remain as the Princes Body Guard at our Honble Masters Expence, save the usual a[llow]ance of Dyet, wch we are assured he will readily furnish.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

SUNDAY 12th Imported ship Prince Frederick from Bengall Capt Jas. Parker, James Coult SupraCargo, and the Willaim Captn. Chas. Hopkins Richard Wareing SupraCargo from said Place.

MONDAY 13 This Morning Ensign Kendal with Thirty of our Military proceeded to the Princes Palace, with Instructions not to engage in any service, save what regards the preservation of his person.

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DITTO DIE THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Chautoo Chitty [ap]. plyed to for Quantity [of] Paper [*Sic*]

Our Merchant Chatoo Chitty now here is prest to send us in a Quantity of Pepper as soon as possible towards compleating the loading of the ships to be returnd home this season and is asked how much he shall be able to deliver us by the 10th February to which he says he has already begun to Collect what Pepper he can for its being weighd into our Warehouse as fast as it comes in, & he ventures to promise us five Hundred Candys of the growth of the present Season at the time aforementiond, provided we give him a further Advance of Sixteen thousand Rupees and one thousand Gubbers the latter to be reckond at Nineteen and a quarter fanams each, apprehending it will not be in his power to send in more than the above quantity.

It is observed that in times past & even when the Crop was not so promising as the present this Merchant was Capable of furnishing us with a larger quantity without expecting any Money in Advance, but the reasons why he has not the same

abilitys now, are Agreed to be oweing to the disunion of the Family and seperation of their Capitals, Occasiond as we learn by the many bad debts contracted with those dealt with for this Commodity, we ought therefore to be wary in trusting him largely or if practicable engage another more substantial person to transact this affair; Though as there is no such to be found in these parts, and the Moors who in times past were employd made Several bad debts (as will appear by the old Accounts we Judge our Chitty as he has a Landed estate, and is a Person of great Integrity, and that if we do not Advance the money we shall faile of the Pepper, we have no other means of being supply'd than delivering him the Amount he has requested.

rupees 16000 Gubbrs. 1000

It is Accordingly AGREED the Treasury Issue it.

Our Instructions from Bombay under the 14th October directed us to have in Warehouse from seven to eight Hundred Candys of the new Pepper, over & above what remaind by us of the old for the despatch of the Four Ships then Supposed might be sent home, but as we are assured there can be only three & for which the five Hundred Candys promised by the Chitty will be sufficient; it is proposed as the price of the Commodity is exceeding high at Callicut, & what provided at Tano[re] will not be wanted and that the supplying that Market may pre[vent] in some measure the Clandestinely carrying away this specie produced hereabouts to the keeping up the Price; That we order our Callicut Linguist to dispose of it there, so as our Honble Masters [be] no loosers thereby, which being AGREED to, Directed a Letter be sent to him Accordingly.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Wrote a Letter to our Callicutt Linguist Agreable to the tenour of the above Resolution.

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Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLM. JEYNSON.

TUESDAY 14

Richd. Waring proposes to call at Cannanore.

Mr Richard Wareing Supracargo of the William being about to proceed to Cannanore, for the Selling as he says some of his Bengal Cargo, we have reason to Apprehend he may be inclind [to] take Pepper in barter now, or Contract for its delivery on his return from Surat, and as his so doing must inevitably be a means of keeping up the price, & depriving our Honble Masters of the quantity they want.

A letter agreed to be wrote him thereon.

It is AGREED we write him a Letter representing this ill Consequences, & request he will not attempt dealing in this Commodity, in any of the parts hereabouts.

As the sending the remainder of the money by the Munchua now on departure from Mangalore to bring the rice we have Orderd, cannot be esteemd so safe by her as in a Tony. It is AGREED we send away Seven Hundred Venetians (the sum Judged Necessary) this night in one with a Guard.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

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TUESDAY 14th — Imported Ship Cowan from China Captn. Robt. Mackneal Commr. Messrs. William Cowan & Robert Nesbitt SupraCargos.

DITTO DIL — Sailed ship William for Cannanore & Surat.

SATURDAY 18 — Sailed ship Cowan for Surat, Prince Frederick, & Cawdery Grab for Bombay; by the former wrote the Honble President & Council a Letter Advising what Material has occurd since the date of our last Duplicate whereof was also sent them, and Five European Soldiers, four of whom being refractory & troublesome, & the other at his request.

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Present

MONDAY 20 — THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

[The] Providing quantity of [Pep]per about Billiapatam considerd of.

The Parts about the river Billiapatam we understand may this Season Yeild about Five Hundred Candys of Pepper, which our Merchant Chautoo Chitty in times past generaly bought up, but now through the disunion of his Family he has made little or no Attempts of this kind; Therefore the people, who are in Possession of it, may probably either Clandestinely permit the same to be carried away to Callicut, Cannanore, or Mangalore, or dispose of it to the Merchants of Bengall in the King of Cotatas Country, in order to sell it to us or the French at an Advanced Price, & exposing it to the stoppage or high Dutys of the above King: To remedy which it is proposed that Nelerate Mamod & Changuem Cuniamod Moors Inhabitants of this place, and persons of reputed Integrity, who have often been employd by us, be dispatchd for Secureing what Pepper is to be had in the parts aforesaid, which being debated on and entirely Approved off.

Moors are employd for [th]at purpose.

[5]000 rupees deliverd them.

AGREED we furnish them with Five Thousand Rupees for a beginning that we Supply them hereafter as there may be Occasion & allow them for their trouble one Rupee in a Candy.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

MONDAY 20th. — Imported the Child Gally from Bengall Captn William Coward Com[...] s'd Captn. & Peter Templer Supracargos.

WEDNESDAY 22 — Saild the Child Galley for Surat.

FRIDAY 24 — By a Munchua which Arrived this Evening from Mangalore rec[ed] a Letter from Antonio Pais, wherein he advises to have laden on her fifty Corge of Rice, and Thirty five he sent a few days ago, which he bought at fifteen & a Quarter Pagodas the Corge, and Fifty at Fifteen three Eights, exclusive of half a Pagoda ℔ Corge Adlame, & other Charges.

SATURDAY 25 — By a Munchua which sail'd this Evening for Mangalore wrote Antonio Pais a Letter directing him to make a further provision of rice, and on her sent Four Hundred Seventy five Venetians for payment thereof.

475 Venetians remitted Anto. Pais for the Purchase [of] rice.

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Imported ship Heathcote Captn Joseph Tolson Commander from B: bay which brought an Invoice & bill of Lading for Eight Chests Treasure Amounting to Eighty Thousand Rupees with Calculate of this Ship & Wilmingtons Tonnage; on the former came Mr. Franˢ. Witherby Engineer

THURSDAY 30
Treasure recd from Bombay ℔ Heathcote.

In a Letter from Ensign Kendal of this date now with the Prince, we have Notice of the Canarees Preparations for attacking Cotata, after making their Lodgement on the low Grounds at Durmapatam, & this Evening we have a confirmation of the same from other hands; upon which the Chief wrote an Ola to the Prince, desiring the continuance of his good Offices in preventing thereof, in case they should however persist, he would forbear accompanying them, or give them any assistance whatever by his own people.

DITTO DIE
Letter from Ensign Kendal
Letter to the Prince.

As the King of Cottata has often slighted the informations sent him from hence, relating to the Canarees designs on Durmapatam for Attacking his Country; it is thought proper to write him again on [this] head, and send him therewith the Original Ola now brought us from the Prince, Importing, the Canarees are bent on Marching forward & he presumes they will lodge themselves on the low Grounds on Durmapatam aforesaid, which he cannot conveniently hinder.

DITTO DIE
Letter to the King of Cotata.

Recievd an Answer from the King of Cotata in very Obliging term expressing what we wrote him concerning the Canarees is genuine, & as so good an Understanding Subsists between us, he hopes we will afford him what assistance we can in Opposing this Enemy.

FRIDAY 31
His Answer.

Imported ship Wilmington Capt Charles Massey from Bombay, by her recievd a Letter from the Honble President & Council dated the 21st Ultimo in answer to our severals of the 2d October 12th & 19th December & enclose Invoice of treasure amounting to Rupees Eighty Thousand, and sent us a Detachment of Thirty Men, including Lieutenant Kerr, Serjeants & Corporals.

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SUNDAY 2d
Letter from Bombay.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

MONDAY 3

Notice is brought us that the Canaree Army consisting of Four or Five thousand Men passed the river Trentapatam in land this Morning, and Pitchd their Tents on the low Grounds of Durmapatam Island, in Order as tis said to Attack the Country of Cotata through the Passage that way being fordable.

[Ca]narees place [th]emselves on Durmapatam.

The Chief represents to the board, how much we ought to Apprehend, These people may have in view the subduing the Fortresses on that Island, since they are in a very bad condition, and from what has been experienced, the Mallabars will not make a Suitable resistance in defending them; so that the many evils set forth from time to time by us, may probably soon be such, as we shall not in any wise be able to remedy.

Remarks thereon.

Debating thereon, It is observd, that our proceeding to secure this Island to ourselves, without first gaining the consent of the King of Cotata may if he should have the fortune of resisting the Canarees, engage us afterwards in troubles with him, and Contrarywise, should they enter his Country, & Subdue it that place must naturaly become theirs, & render our dislodging them impracticable, so that its difficult for us to determine in what manner to direct our Conduct, but as we have some hopes the Obstinacy of Cotata may cease, as his Enemys presses him; It is AGREED we apply to him for his permission for our entering on & secureing the said Island at the expence of our Honble Masters & thereby preserve the

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Resolution.

places of Netture from the Inroads of the Canarees; and that we also write the Canaree General of his having Invaded our Property and require his leaving it with all Expedition.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

TUESDAY 4 — Recievd an Answer from Gopaljee the Canaree General wherein Expressly owns the Island Durmapatam to be the property of the Honble East India Company, & therefore he will offer no violence to it, but leave it with the Utmost Expedition after preparing the Necessary Materials for Attacking Cotata.

THURSDAY 6 — After sundry Messages to & from the King of Cotata, he writes the Chief in the following manner vizt. "I have recievd your Letter & [am] now at Netture, "where I got an Answer to what I wrote the Second King. I am preparing to go to "Cotata & meet him to discourse on the present posture of Affairs, and before ten "at night, I will dispatch by Canachambier my Royal Grant for your Possessing "Durmapatam, and hoisting your Colours on such places, as you think Necessary "for its Security do you effect this without delay, and very shortly I shall send for your Linguist to meet me.

Ola from Cotata.

DITTO DIE — The Commanders of Ships Heathcote & Wilmington Signifying to us they can take in no more Goods here, than what have been sent Aboard them, and requesting their dispatches for Anjengo (wher[e] they have orders to call for about one Hundred & Eighty Candys of Pepper each) the same were Accordingly deliverd them with our Packetts to the Honble Court of Directors setting forth the State of this Settlement, and enclosing Invoice & bill's of Lading for Five Hundred fifty Candys of Pepper & Nine Candy two maunds Cardamoms Laded aboard the former, Amounting to fanams Two Hundred sixty four Thousand six Hundred & two, and on the latter, Three Hundred fifty Candys Pepper with nine Candys, two Maunds of Cardamoms Amounting to fanams one Hundred Sixty four Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Six & Seven vis, with the Papers Annualy required from us. Wrote also a Short Letter to the Chief & Factors at Anjengo of our having dispatchd these Ships to them, Agreable to the Orders of our Superiours.

Ships Wilmington & Heathcote dispatchd for Great Britain.

DITTO DIE — Arrived ship Success from Manila John Dugud Captn. & Supra Cargo.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 7 — THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Att two this Morning Appeard Canachambier the person aforementiond with the King of Cotatas Olahs to the Chief, desiring we would take Immediate possession of one or two places on the Island of Durmapatam, & hoist the British flag, taking care they are well Secured, & that we hereafter do earnestly endeavour for dislodging the Canarees from their present Scituation.

Message from Cotata concerning Durmapatam.

The Messenger is askd why the King points out only one or two places, instead of saying in an express manner that the said Island may remain as the property of our Honble Masters to which he answers, we are at Liberty to possess the whole forthwith.

Taken under Consideration.

It is very evident that neither the Ola now recievd, nor the preceeding is sufficient to free us from after disputes with this King as no conditions are sett

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down, & he may probably yet demand the sum we agreed to give for it some time since, notwithstanding the danger it is now in of falling into the Canarees hands thereby Affording them an easy passage into his Country in many places, & rendering its recovery impossible.

The Above reasons being weighd by the board, It is however thought to be most eligible for us not to loose the present opportunity, least the Canarees should instantly attack the Fortresses and become Masters of the same which is a point to be well considerd, as the consequences may prove such as to render this Settlement of little Benefit to our Honble Masters, and since with the Assistance of Naranports Nairs and Tivees, Joind with the men we can spare, from this Garrison we may According to the Opinion of our Officers, resist any efforts the Canarees may at present make, It is therefore Unanimously AGREED, That we do at about eight in the morning March with all the Military we can send, together with Seepoys, Nairs. & Tivees, and take possession of the largest Fortress on Durmapatam, & such others as the Engineer, and the rest of the officers may Judge convenient, Hoist our Colours thereon, and then dispatch the Chiefs Letter to the Canaree General signifying our being on the Island by virtue of the Grant deliverd us by the King of Colastree sometime since, desiring him speedily to forsake the same. [W]hat resolvd on.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Agreable to the foregoing resolution Captains Slaughter, & Mend[ouza] with Ensign Adams, & a party of one Hundred and Twenty of our Garrison Soldiers, one Hundred and forty Nairs, & sixty Tivees making in all Four Hundred men passed the River of Codolee and about nine, enterd the Principal Fortress on Durmapatam in a peaceable manner, introduced by Canachambier, & Anadeem Croop two of the King of Cotatas Ministers, when the Nairs of that King vacated the same; and our people made small Detachments to a place calld Ataracuna a Small redout, which commands the entrance of Codolee river, dispatching at the same time the Chiefs Letter to the Canaree General in his Camp. Durmapatam Island taken Possession of.

This Evening recievd an Answer from the Canaree Generall signifying that he was about leaving Durmapatam, as our people might testifye. FRIDAY 7 Answer from the Canaree General.

Wrote Olahs to the Prince and King of Cotata viz DITTO DIE

To the Prince

Notwithstanding the several methods applyed by us to the King of Cotata for our Admittance on Durmapatam, Agreeable to the power you have been pleased to give us; You are sensible we could not prevail on him to acceede, although we promised him a considerable sum of money, but this day without settling on any terms, he did by a writing under his hand, permit on his part our holding the same, and Hoisting our Colours; according[ly] in the name of your Highness, our people were sent to Garrison its Fortresses: The Ensign and people now with you, being much wanted on this Occasion; I beg you will permit my sending Tonys to bring them hither tomorrow, and if hereafter you should require their return they shall be at your service. Ola to the Prince.

TELLICHERRY
FEBRUARY 7TH 1734|5.

STEPHEN LAW.

TO THE KING OF COTATA

In pursuance of your Ola sent me by Canachambier and Anadem Croop, we have taken possession of the Island Durmapatam in the name of the Honble East India Company and Hoisted our Colours thereon, and as the Canarees may probably Ola to the King of Cotata.

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endeavour to disturb us, I cannot doubt of your Assistance on any Occasion of that sort, at least untill the Fortress are Secured in a tolerable manner; I have wrote the Canaree General requiring his vacating the Island, but whether he complies or not, It behoves us on our part to remain quiet, untill we are put in a better security.

TELLICHERRY
FEBRUARY 7. 1734/5.

STEPHEN LAW.

SATURDAY 8 — Arrived the Anjengo Ketch Isaac Hope Master from Anjengo.

Letter from the Canaree General. — Recievd a Letter this morning from the Canaree General, setting forth his having the day before endeavourd to pass the river against Cotata, but was prevented through the depth of mud, however he should Attempt it again in three or Four days, & hoped we would not disapprove of his remaining in the meantime where he is to which the Chief gave answer we should be satisfied, provided he complys with his promise, and does not destroy the plants & Coconut trees lying about his Camp.

DITTO DIE. [O]la from the Prince. — Receievd an Ola from the Prince in Answer to what the Chief wrote him that he is exceedingly glad to find we have got possession of Durmapatam, without in the least gratifying the Avarice and unreasonableness of the King of Cotata, and he hopes we will proceed in Fortifying it with all expedition, that it may be renderd secure, but is sorry we should be in want of the Ensign and People now with him, however they shall be sent, excepting a serjeant ten soldiers & a Drum, which he is very desirous may continue with him, the Canarees he says attempted to pass against Cotata, but were repulsed, though he believes they will not give it over.

DITTO DIE Ola from the King of Cotatato. — Recievd an Answer from the King of Cotata importing his Satisfaction at our hoisting our Colours on Durmapatam, and which news is spread abroad, and that he shall be glad, if in like Manner, through the influence of said Colours, the Canarees be Obliged to forsake their present Abode; his Predecessours never heretofore Suffer the Colours of any Europe Nation to be placed their Country, and his permitting it is on purpose to cement Our Friendship, depending we will not give occasion to those, who bear him and us ill will, to reproach him for it.

ATT A CONSULTATION

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DITTO DIE — THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Canaree repulsed by Cotata. The Mallabars impute their March to our Contrivance through the French insinuation. — The notice we have from the Prince of the Repulse of the Canarees is Confirmd to us by their own people (and that the[ir] General has recievd a Slight wound) oweing to the Strong resistance made by the King of Cotata, and his Allies, we are also well assured, the Country people throughout this way are strong[ly] possessd with a firm belief, that the March of the Canarees again[st] Cotata, is oweing to our Contrivance, to facilitate our gaining Durmapatam, and which we reasonably suppose is encouragd by the French, as they are highly disgusted at their being disappointed in their design thereon, after making their Agreement with Cotata for it, in consideration of a very large sum of money, to be discounted out of what money they have lent him.

Debated on. — As these Country people are Naturaly deceitfull it will be hardly possible on the foundation of our Innocence alone to remove their surmises, and therefore should they gain advantage over the Canarees by dislodging them with their own Force, from the place they now are, we may Justly expect the ire of the Mallabars

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will be turnd against us, and with the assistance of the French, be induced to give us the utmost disturbance in their power to guard against which, It is proposed, we immediately Apply to the Prince for his Assembling Three or Four Thousand Nairs in Support of the Canarees, untill the King of Cotata, Boyanore & the Nombiers, make him proposals for joining in one Common League against the Invaders, which we may resonably pres[ume] they will be inclind to come into, rather than undergo the expence and fatigue they are now subject to, & the risque they run of being overcome. Resolution.

Directed the Linguist do from us, engage the Princes Braminee now here to prevaile on his Master, and that a Letter be sent by him accordingly; and since this Braminee has labourd very sincerly in Obtaining for us a quiet admittance on Durmapatam, and whose future Services may entitle him to a reward (which is the only Motive that governs such people) it is highly for our Honble Masters Interest that a Present be made him of fifty Venetians; which is Accordingly AGREED to. 50 venetians given the Princes [h]ead Braminee

The King of Cotata having sent to the Linguist for eleven Hundred & fifty Bales of rice; one Candy of Gunpowder and Five Maunds of Lead, he desires to know whether he may venture to supply him or not, Apprehending it will be in his power to recover the Amount, Yet as he can have No possitive certainty of it, nor no Interest to induce him to make this Loan at his own risque he hopes in case of a failure we will place it, to our Hoñble Masters Account. Cotata applies to the Linguist for Rice & Ammunition.

It is inculcated to us by our Superiours (agreable to the Orders of our Hoñble Masters) not to make any Loans to these people; but as we have a good prospect of recovering the Amount, and gain the Friendship of this King, exclude the French in their great expectation of grasping the Pepper Trade of his Country, & since his attachment to us may not only be of use in the Carrying on our Pepper trade, and facilitate our Security on Durmapatam, the making of this Loan seems unavoidable, especialy as the French notwithstanding the large sum in his hands before, do yet continue to supply him with the forementioned Articles, in great quantitys & which we are well assured of, as they dayly pass with their boats, by our permission through the river Codolee. Accordingly AGREED the Linguist furnish him with the above Articles and that we place them to our Hoñble Masters Account in case he should faile in recovering their value. Considerd on. Resolution.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Imported the Mary Brigantine Thomas Davis Captn. & Supracargo from Mallacca. SUNDAY 9

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THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The King of Cotata having this morning wrote pressingly for the Linguist's being sent to him, it was thought proper to permit of his going, & this Evening he appears on his return from him, acquainting us, this King is pretty much terrified at the near Approach of the Canaree Army to his Country, and as their Success against him will affect us, he Hopes we will instantly set about Uniting Boyanore with him; that their Joint forces may be employd under the Direction of the Prince for expelling these Invaders the Mallabar Territories, & to which end he request Linguist reports his Conference wth. the King of Cotata.

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we will prevaile on the Prince to write Boyanore, and that we do the same, so that timely & effectual resolutions may be taken in bringing about a general Tranquility, which can no otherwise be had than by the removal of those people.

Debates thereon. Resolution.

Notwithstanding the little regard both Cotata & Boyan[ore] had to the good of the Country in General, while the Canarees were distant from them, yet as they see them now at their own door may in reason conclude their own preservation will induce them to act sincerely in the proposed design, and as our Trade cannot possibly be enjoyd with Freedom, while they continue Masters, It is AGREED we write the Prince according to Cotatas requ[est] and if a satisfactory Answer is brought from him, we send another Letter to Boyanore offering our Assistance in whatever may tend to the common good.

And as the Person we proposed sending to the Prince yesterday (taken notice of in that Consultation) is not yet gone, we think it convenient that He be Solicited afresh for coming this way, with a Considerable body of Nairs for the reasons set forth therein.

Adjournd

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

MONDAY 10

Olas from the Prince.

An answer is returnd by the Prince, and with it an Ola to Boyanore setting forth; that if he still continues to disregard the Miseries of the Country, he will carry the Canaree Army, where he shall be a Partaker of the common misfortunes, and whatever he has to offer he may do it to us, the said Prince writes the Chief, He will comply with our desire in repairing near us with a body of men, in Support of the Canarees, though he does not conceive, that all the Powers this way are capable of doing them any considerable damage.

DITTO DIE

The Chief wrote an Ola to Boyanore Agreable to the Preceeding Consultation and therewith sent the Princes to him.

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TUESDAY 11

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Cotata desires a supply of Rice and Ammunition.

By a messenger from the King of Cotata an Ola is brought from him desireing an immediate Supply of a quantity of Gunpowder, Arms, shott, Rice, great Guns, & men, offering to pay us the value & Charges thereof in a short time.

Considerd of. Resolution.

The supplyes we have hitherto afforded him by means of the Linguist, taken notice of in our Consultation of the 8th. Instant, was in order to avoid having any Accounts with him ourselves, conceiving he might easier Obtain their value, and at the same time make him look on himself as under some obligation to us, but since his demands come on so heavily, and he is a Notorious deceiver, we have Just reason to suspect he is aiming to get as much from us, under the denomination of a loan as we promised to give him some time since for a peaceable admittance & possession of Durmapatam, and since if our Title is not now Setled, we may be subject to great disputes with him, notwithstanding he ought to expect but a small matter from us, as our being there preservd it from the Canaree Attempts, and defends a great part of his Country; It is on the whole AGREED, we send back the Messenger Civily, letting him know, our unwillingness to wrangling & contesting with any person whatever, obliges us to desire he will instantly furnish us with an Authentick writing, that he has no further pretensions whatever to this Island, and then we shall be ready to do him what good Offices in our Power.

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Chato Chitty applied to for a Quantity of Pepper.

Our forbearing hitherto in Settling the Price of Pepper deliverd us by the Chitty, was with a View to lower the Price, and it has accordingly had the desired effect; but as the French expect a ship very speedily from Pondicherry with a Supply of Treasure, & some of the Merchants notwithstanding the unsetled State of the Country are engrossing it in hopes of an Advanced Price, it is Judged bes[t] for us to provide a Considerable quantity forthwith, accordingly Chato Chitty the merchant aforesaid is introduc'd & required to declare on what terms he will deliver it us he insists on seventy five Rupees, on pretence that he makes many bad debts, that it is improbable the price will continue as it now is, that the distractions in the Country will Subject him to Unusual Losses, and in fine he is not to be prevailed on to deliver us Two Thousand Candys (including what has been already recievd) for less than Seventy Rupees the Candy.

2000 Candys Contracted for a 72 Rups. the Candy.

After debating on this affair, we are informd that Pepper is not now to be bought even by the maund in retail from the poorer sort of people at less than Seventeen fanams, making sixty eight rupees the Candy, and as this Merchant is exposed to have large sums of money Standing out, and to the demands the French may make for this Comodity, thereby enhancing its price that he cannot even buy ten Candys for less then Sixty nine or Seventy we Judge (all things considerd) our Acceptance of this Contract is most eligible, and accordingly it is AGREED we close the same at seventy two Rupees the Candy, on Two Thousand Candys to be weight off with all expedition, and that we furnish him at Present with Thirty Thousand Rupees & Five Hundred Venetians, & more at times as he may require.

30,000 Rupees & 500 Venetians Advanced him.

The Principal Fortress on Durmapatam ordered to be made Defensible.

The Principal Fortress on Durmapatam now Garrisond by us, being in a very unsafe condition, through its slight walls, we have been dayly employd in Carrying stones in order to Secure it, and Consulting the Engineer thereupon, he represents that it is absolutely necessary at present to make a strong wall withinside with stones cemented with Earth, and that afterwards they may be appropriated in forming a regular Fortification, and as the same seems to concord entirely with reason, AGREED it be set about with all expedition.

Allowance of the Engineer, Officers & Gunner settled.

The Constant duty, Officers, Gunner, and Soldiers are exposed to on the Island aforesaid, where it is Impossible for them to be Supplied with Necessarys, but from hence & as there is little or no conveniency for them at present to dress their Victuals, we apprehend our Superiours will approve of our furnishing them with the Necessary Provisions for the present, at our Hoñble Masters Expence, and withall agree to our Allowing the Engineer one Rupee ℔ day, while he Continues his constant Attendance there, conceiving he otherwise will not be able to Support himself in any tolerable Manner, and indeed his Dilegence seems to give him a Title to it, Directed therefore the Paymaster conform thereto.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

TUESDAY 11

Letter from Bombay.

Imported ship Middlesex Captn. William Studholm Commander from Bombay, who brought us a Letter from the Hoñble President & Council dated the 1st. Instant, enclosing Invoice & bill of Lading for Eight Chests Treasure, containing Eighty Thousand Rupees, & direct our filling up this ship with Pepper & dispatch her with all expedition for England.

WEDNESDAY 12-

Ola from Boyanore.

An answer is brought us from Boyanore signifying in very cold terms his Inclination to Join in what measures may be Agreed on for the good of the Country, and for which end he proposes to meet Cotata the 21st. Instant, he likewise answerd the Prince in the same manner, adding his readyness to Obey all his Highnesses Commands.

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WEDNESDAY 12

Letter from Captn. Dugud.

Answer.

Captn. John Dugud Commr. & Supra Cargo of ship Success, writes us a Letter representing his being employd by some English Gentlemen at Bengall in a Brigantine to Manila, where meeting an Opportunity of buying this ship on Advantageous terms. and this being the first English Settlement he has been at since his return from thence, desires we will supply him with a pass, but our Superiours long since from Bombay having positively forbid our Issuing any, save to such as belong to the Mallabar Coast, we are obliged to deny his request.

THURSDAY 13

Letter to Bombay.

Saild ship Sucess for Surat by her wrote the Honble President & Council of Bombay a Letter of this date, informing them of our having got Possession of Durmapatam Island & other Occurences since the date of our last, and enclosing copy of our Address to the Company of the 5th. Instant ℔ ships Heathcote & Wilmington with their respective Invoices.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

6,000 Rups. Advs. to Moors account Pepper.

Nellerate Mahmod & Changa Cunhamod the two person[s] we agreed to employ in the Purchase of Pepper (as ℔ Consultation of the 20th Ultº.) about Billiapatam, requesting a farther advance of six thousand Rupees to go on with their Investment; It is AGREED we comply therewith, as the same is likely to come out cheaper than that we purchase of the Chitty.

Adjournd

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

SATURDAY 15TH.

Ship Middlesex dispatchd to England.

Having completed the Middlesex's Cargo with Four Hundred and Fourteen Candys of Pepper, amounting to Fanams one Hundred Fifty three Thousand two Hundred Ninety-nine, we gave the Commander his dispatches for England, and informd the Honble Company of our being in Possession of Durmapatam, and enclosed them Invoice & bill of Lading of this ship.

ATT A CONSULTATION

SUNDAY 16

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Ola from Cotata perused.

Two Messenger's appear from the King of Cotata, repeating his request for our furnishing him in Loan with the Articles mentiond in our Consultation of the 11th Instant with an Addition of Gunpowder, promising in a little time after consulting with his people, to gratifie us in the Ola desired for his quitting his pretensions to the Island Durmapatam.

As we continue in our former Opinion the above King wants to draw from us the sum we formerly Agreed to give him on Account of this Island, & no reasons offer for receding from our resolution relating thereto, taken in the aforesaid Consultation.

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It is AGREED the Chief write him in civil terms, he ought not to make any demur, in complying with our request, & untill he Acquiesces, we possible move one step farther, least it might occasion some distrust between us and the Canarees which it is our Bussiness to avoid, till our Title is made clear to the place we are upon.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. MONDAY 17
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The following Accounts for last month, being brought in, are accordingly Examined, & passd as enterd hereafter vizt.

The Chiefs Treasury Account it's Balance at close being vizt.

Rupees	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	159532.	3.	98	
Dollars	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		3891½			
							Vens.			Gubbrs.			
							tale	Wt.		tale	Wt.		
Chequeens	...	...	...	...	...		132.	129.	7.	1420.	1401.	5.	4

The General Paymaster his Account of Disbursements with the Warehouse-keeper & Storekeeper their Accounts of receipts & Issues, also the latters account sale for the Months of November December & January, amounting to Fanams two Thousand one Hundred Forty one & Nine vis which is accordingly paid into the Treasury, the Stewards accounts of sundry Supplyed the Dolphin & Antilope Galevats, and the detachment of Soldiers aboard them amounting to Fanams One Thousand two Hundred twenty two & twelve vis is directed to be discharged. Accounts for January Passed.

Chatoo Chitty desiring a farther Advance to the Amount of Twenty thousand Rupees for carrying on his Investment.

Directed the Treasury issue out the same to him.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD
WM. JEYNSON.

ABSTRACT OF THE GENERAL PAYMASTER HIS ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 1734/5 VIZ.

Garrison Charges	16423.	4
Charges occasiond by the Canaree Invasion	3742.	5
Fortifications & House repairs	794.	2
Stable Charges	52.	—
Board Wages	1350.	—
Servants Wages	930.	—
Hospital Charges	909.	—
Charges on Merchandize	216–	—
Garrison Stores	434.	10
Fire Wood	161.	1
Rice	259.	2
Petty Charges	532.	2
	25803.	10

1734/5	Foreign Silver.	Dr.	Doll^{r}.	W^{t}.
January 1st.	To Baance of last month		3891½	

1734/5	Per Contra.	Cr.	Doll^{r}.	W^{t}.
January 31	By Balance		3891½	

1734/5	Chequeens.	Dr. Venetias tale	W^{t}.	Gubbers tale	W^{t}.
January 1st.	To Balance of last month ..	2900	2883. 4		
				2420.	2390. 5

1734/5	Per Contra.	Ven^{s}. tale	Wt.	Cr. Gubbers. tale	W^{t}.
January	By Rice p^{d}. Man^{l}. Roiz in part for 36 Corge ea 42 bales @ 18½ pagoda^{s} ℔ Corge is Pag^{s}. 666 @ 17 fan^{s}. ℔ Pag^{a}. @ 19½ fans Venetian	583.	579. 8. 8.		
10	By Voyage to Mangalore sent by Anto. Pais to buy Rice for the Garrison @ 19½ ..	500.	497. 5. —		
14	By Ditto Do. Do.	700.	696. 3. 8.		
16	By Chatoo Chitty adv^{a}. for Pepper @ 19¼.			1000.	988. 8. 12
	By Man^{l}. Roiz in part of 17 Corge Rice @ 19¼ Pagodas 19½	286.	284. 7. —		
	By Rupees exch^{a}. @ 19¾	224.	222. 7. —		
	By Voyage to Mangalore sent Ant^{o}. Pais for Rice	475.	472. 2. —		
		2768.	2753. 6. —		
31	By Balance	132.	129. 7. —	1420.	1401. 5. 4
		2900.	2883. 4. —	2420.	2390. 5. —

1734/5	Rupees Dr.	Rupees	qrs.	rs.
January 1	To Balance of last Month	28687	1	3
16	To Chequeens exchg. Vens 224 pze. 222, 7 @ 19¾ fans each	879	3	90
31	To Account Currant Bombay recd. ℔ Heathcote	80000	—	—
	To Ditto ℔ Wilmington..	80000	—	—
	Rupees ..	189567	—	93

1734/5	Per Contra Cr.			Rupees	qrs.	rs.
January 6	By Account Salary pd. for half a year to the 2d Instant			732	—	—
	By Dolphin Galevat pd. the Steward for Decr. Chas. ..	164	2 20			
	By Antilope Ditto .. Ditto	107	2 50			
				272	—	70
	By Board Wages pd. the Chief for table linnen half a Year			75	—	—
	By Charges Extraordinary Do for Festival days entertaining the French & Strangers ..			400	—	—
	By Rice for the Bals. of 36 Corge pd. Manl. Roiz fans. 13.2			2	2	50
8	By Cunhiseu of Cotata advanced him for Pepper			1000	—	—
14	By Chatoo Chitty Ditto			16000	—	—
	By Rice bought viz. 9 Corge of Poyaca Paqui @ 18 Pagodas	162				
	2 Ditto 17½	35				
			197			
	14 Ditto Banibeltu Poora 18½.		259			
			456 @ 17 fans.			
	is fans. 7752 @ 5 ea is			1550	1	60
	By Manoel Roiz for the balance of Rice ..			2	—	15
23	By Changem Cuniahmod, & Nelearate Mahmod advanced to buy Pepper at Billiapatam, to allow them 1 Rupee in a Candy for their trouble			5000	—	—
27th.	By Cunhiseu of Cotata advanced him to buy Pepper			1000	—	—
31	By Hugh Howard Paymaster			4000	—	—
				30031	—	95
	By Balance			159532	3	98
	Rupees ..			189567	—	93

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Tellicherry
January 31. 1734/5.

Errors Excepted
℔ Stepheh Law.

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ACCOUNT SALE FROM THE 1ST. OF NOVEMBER TO THE LAST OF JANUARY 1734/5 BEING 3 MONTHS

	fans.	Vis		
GARRISON STORES VIZT.				
Nailes 96½ ℔	159	12		
Iron work 144 ℔	216	12		
Iron Europe 145 ℔	72	8		
Padlocks 6	40	—		
Brass Plate 1 ℔	5	—		
Dammer 10 Maunds	80	—		
Bucketts 6	12	—		
Lead Balls 2264 of sorts poize 114 ℔	85	8		
Double Headed shot 50 four pounders p'ze 416 ℔ @ 75 fanams ℔ Ct.	278	9		
1 Maund wood oyl	30	—		
5 Hogshead Goa Arrack	390	—		
1 Handsawe	15	—		
1 Adze	10	—		
1 Plane	5	—		
1 Hatchet	5	—		
1 Chizel	5	—		
1 Grapnol pre 2cwt.23 ℔	225	—		
Salloes 6 ps white	30	—		
Mending 2 Lamps	5	—		
Charcoal 25 Basketts	32	—		
			1702	1
Broad Cloth 1 Yard Scarlet			30	—
WAREHOUSE STORES VIZ.				
90 Gunny baggs old	70	—		
Matts 683	39	8		
			109	8
Gunpowder 3 Barrels Bombay			300	—
Flints 25			5	—
Tellry. fans.			2146	9

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ WM. FORBES.

WEDNESDAY 19 Inported Ship Northumberland from Malacca Captn. Thomas Cole Commander & William Woods Supracargo.

DITTO DIE Letter to Anjengo. Saild the Anjengo Ketch for Anjengo, by her Advised the Chief & Factors, th[at] through the Strong North West winds that have Blown, & the Sickness among her crue, she was not able to proceed to Mangalore for a Cargo of rice for their Garrison, as was intended, & therefore we put aboard her here one Thousand, Three Hundred, forty seven, bales chamsaul, amounting to Rupees Two Thousand one Hundred five, one quarter Fifty nine Raes which the Chief would account with Mr. Wake for.

THURSDAY 20 Saild ship Northumberland for Surat.

FRIDAY 21 Arrived ship Joey from Bombay Captn Ralph Kellet Commander Anthony Upton Supracargo.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. SUNDAY 23

WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Cotata in Concert with Boyanore & the French aims at routing the Canarees.

The King of Cotata in order to have the Assistance of Boyanore against the Canarees is now about accomodating an old difference that has hitherto Subsisted, & then in Conjunction with him to Attempt routing the Canaree Army now on Durmapatam, & which [they] said will be undertaken in a few days, on Condition, that if they are Successfull the French through the forces of the above said Powers are endeavour to wrest from us the Island aforementiond, & to encourage the allies in this Undertaking the constantly Supply them with Rice, Gunpowder, & other Ammunition, & have Actualy now at Cotata, Six of their Military, including Officers with Monsr. Louet Second of Mihie.

Reflections thereon.

Although the above is a very presumptuous Undertaking Yet the Experience we have had of the French leads us to imag[ine] they will not Stick at anything for Involving us in troubles & wresting our trade from us if possible, so that we ought not to despise what reported, but rather Aim at putting our affairs in such a posture as may disappoint their ill designs, & in order to which, fresh Solicitations have been made the Prince, pursuant to our Consultation of the 8th Instant & he is now come on the Confines of Durmapatam with a body of men desires we will meet him on that Island the 25th. Instant, signifying w[hy] all his treasures are so low, as to render him incapable of Supporting the Expence of his People & that he expects as our Interest is so Immediately concernd in this affair, we will defray part of the Charge.

Continued.

We are very sensible the Prince ought in mere re[gard] to his Reputation to continue a considerable Force with him in Supp[ort] of the Canarees, untill Cotata, Boyanores, & others apply to him in proper manner, for entering in one Common League Against the Invaders, but such is the Avarice of this Prince, that rather than launch out money in cases of Necessity he too often runs the risq[ue] of loosing his Power Dignity and if on the Present Occasion, Cotata &ca, should without him Attack the Canaree Army, & prove Success[ful] we shall in all Humane Probability be subject to a war with them Assisted by the French, and as it is a point of such consequence, we think the means for preventing it, ought to be employd though i[t] may cost some money, rather than be subject to troubles which we cannot know how, or when may be ended.

Rasolution.

Debating maturely thereon it is AGREED the Chief, attended with Mr. William Forbes do meet the Prince on Durmapatam at the time appointed for endeavouring to fix him in a proper resolution for supporting the Canarees at his own Expence; but in case they find, that cannot be otherwise Obtaind than through our contributing in some measure to the Charge we think the expending some money is to be preferd to the risquing the Consequences above represented. Accordingly they are empowerd to Settle this Affair on the best conditions they can.

Policy of the French.

We are sorry to Observe the turbulent humour of the French, contrary to all Policy, engages them in designs very precarious & which must cost them very large sum's thereby exposing us to many inconveniencys, Expences, and difficultys, and their readyness to Supply the Mallabars, we conceive leads our Prince to Expect from us what otherwise he would not mentiond but the present point is too momentous to be disregarded though subject to the Issuing some money.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HS. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

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MONDAY 24 Saild ship Joey for Cochin.

This Evening Imported the Dean Frigat from Bengall Capt[n]. Frederick Reed Commander [Lacuna]

WEDNESDAY 26 Agreable to our preceeding consultation, the Chief & M[r] Forbes met the Prince on Durmapatam and after discoursing with him on the present State of the Country, he declared, that since he has been often decievd by the King of Cotata, & the other Powers in the designs he has long had for exterpating the Canarees, is now derermined either to bring them into an hearty concurrence with him, or otherwise render them Partakers of the Calamities he has long sustaind, and for this end, as well as to preserve the Canarees from being overcome by Cotata & others (which they seem to threaten) he will assemble a considerable body of Nairs, which may probably very speedily prove a means of bringing those Powers into his terms, & if not he is determined to Carry the Canaree Army into Cotatas Country, And as this resolution will be attended with great Benefit to us, as it opposes the designs these people have to disturb us if possible, he is in hopes the Honble Company will contribute somewhat to the Expence, after having used his best endeavours in providing for it himself.

Purport of the Chiefs & Mr. Forbes conference with the Prince.

Continued. The Honble Company not having as yet Obtaind other Grants for their Holding the Island Durmapatam, than [an] Ola deliverd M[r]. Braddyl late Chief empowering our hoisting our Colours thereon, whensoever it might be thought proper, & as we are at large disbursements at this time here, whose continuance will be unavoidable; The Chief &c[a]. did yesterday Solicite the Prince for an Absolute Grant of the said Island which was accordingly Obtaind after some difficulty, as he seemd to expect either the whole or a share of the Produce of the Grounds but on his being made sensible, we propose no other benefit in holding this place, than as it may secure our Trade from the Encroachments of any other Europe Nation, and in doing which we shall be subject to a considerable Annual expence in Maintaining the Garrisons making & repairing its Fortifications, He gave up the Point save that we allow to a Pagoda Scituate thereon, some small Spots of Ground said to belong to the same, and which is to be Setled hereafter, and also that we give him under our hands & Seal in behalf of the Company that his Customs be in time to come hon[...] paid on all Goods Imported & Exported to & from the Said Island [...] Ships & Vessels, provided the same be Subject to one Duty in the manner it has been setled here in a Writing deliver us by him in May last.

Translate of the abovementiond Grants is as follows, viz.

The Princes Grant for our holding Durmapatam Island. The Royal Writ of Prince Odeormen of the Palace of Paly [and] Heir of the King of Colastree we of our good will & pleasure, do give a Grant to the English Company the Island of Durmapatanam, with the Lands lying thereon surrounded by its bordering rivers, & the said Lands with the Bars & rivers thereunto belonging are according[ly] granted by us the Prince Odeormen of the Palace of Paly in this wri[t] deliverd to the present English Chief Stephen Law in the month May 909 Mallabar (which answers to the Year of our Lord 1734) an[d] be it Known to our Heirs that this is in truth & reality.

N.B. The above Instrument is dated in May last at our request, the better to Justifie our Allegations to the French & Canarees sometimes since made of its being the Honble Companys Property.

Presents given him & his people. Although a considerable present was expected on this Occasion, the Chief &c[a]. thought the following might be Sufficient as our Honble masters are likely to be at great Expences.

120 Venetians to the Prince
10 Ditto to his head Braminee
2 Ditto to his Chief Captain
4 Rupees to one of his Officers
Amounting in the whole to Five Hundred & twelve Rupees.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. WEDNESDAY 26
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLM. JEYNSON.

The Board perusing & weighing the Matters passed between the Prince, the Chief, and Mr. William Forbes Yesterday approve of the same, And as the said Prince will expect speedily from us the Writing he has demanded us to give in behalf of the Hoñble Compy. in security of the Customs that may Arise on the trade carried on from & to Durmapatam. The foregoing approved of & a Writing Agreed to be given the Prince in Security of his Customs.

It is AGREED the following be forthwith prepared and deliverd him Signd by us and the Hoñourable Companys Seal affixed thereto.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

The Prince Odeormen of the Palace of Paly, one of the Heirs of the King of Colastree, & present Regent of his Kingdom having by an Authentick Writing under his hand dated May 909 Malabar, or 1734 our Style on his own free will, given & Granted to the Hoñble English East India Company the Island of Durmapatanam, with the Grounds Bars & rivers thereunto belonging. We their Chief and Factors of Tellicherry, do in behalf of said Hoñble Compy. engage & promise by these presents, that in time to come, the Dutys on all Goods Imported & Exported from & to the said Island by ships & vessels, shall be duly & faithfully paid to the said Prince, his Heirs & Successours according to a Stipulation made in this present month of May with said Prince, with this Proviso, that the Honble Company their servants or others trading under their Protection, shall be subject to no more than a single Duty on the Goods and Merchandize Imported & Exported, whether from the Island Durmapatam or Tellicherry, without meaning that the above shall be lyable in any wise to the payment of anything whatever for such Goods and Merchandize, as may be transported from one Settlement to the other in testimony whereof we do affix the Hoñble Companys seal, & hereunto set our hands in Tellicherry this 25 day of May 1734. [The] Writing which is to be delivered the Prince.

STEPHEN LAW.
WILLM. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.
WILL JEYNSON.

Saild ship Deane for Bussorah. WEDNESDAY 26

Arrived the Sarah Galley Charles Ward Captn. & Supra Cargo from Bussorah. THURSDAY 27

Imported ship Hallifax from Malacca Captn. John Allen Commander. MARCH SATURDAY 1

Arrived ship Prince of Wales from Bengall Captn. Robert Wynne Commr. & Samuel Barlow Supra Cargo, also the Patty Captain John Parsons & Bernard Bonkett Supra Cargo from said place and the Prince of Orange from Malacca, William West Captain and Supra Cargo. MONDAY 3

This Evening saild ships Prince of Orange & Hallifax for Bombay, the former wrote the Hoñble President & Council a Letter of this date, advising them of all Occurrences, since our last of the 13th Ultimo duplicate whereof was enclosed, with Sundry other Papers. TUESDAY 4 Letter to Bombay.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 5. THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The Prince requests a supply of rice.

The Princes Braminee now here, by order of his Master solicites for a Supply of Rice, for supporting the body of Nairs [at] Present Assembled, alledging that on this occasion, It is absolutely necessary they continue where they are Assisting the Canaree[s] in case the King of Cotata & his Allies sho'd Attempt Attacking their Camp, and since the Tranquility of this Settlement is so immediately concernd in preventing the designs of the aforementiond Powers, he doubts not we will contribute towards part of the Charge, [as] he is hardly capable of defraying the whole himself.

Debated on

That the French continue to send very large Supplies of Rice, Gunpowder, Lead, and shott to Cotata is very certain, & no less that they have in view to persuade their Allies if possible to rout the Canarees, & then to put them on us, And since the Canarees through the Smallness of their Number must depend on the Princes Assistance, & our Quiet so apparently concernd in their preservation, untill a proper League be Settled between our Prince & the other Malabar Powers, and least the Prince should neglect keeping his people together for want of wherewith to support them, It is Judged absolutly Necessary, that we send him Supplies of Rice from time to time, as our so doing seems to us infinitely preferable to risquing the Success of the French Scheme for if it should succeed we must unavoidably be brought into large Expences & great difficulties.

Directed the warehousekeeper send to the Prince for the Present Four Hundred bales Manjaseer Rice on our Honble Masters Account value two Thousand seven hundred Fanams.

200 Candys Pepper Contracted for at 72 rups. ℔ Candy wth a Braminee Merchant.

One Badamala Putturah of this Country we learn, has been Offerd by our Chitty, at the rate of seventy two Rupees ℔ Candy on Two Hundred Candys of Pepper, which he is inclinable either to sell him or us, the money to be paid on delivery, and as a French and Brigantine are now arrived at Mihie, probably to be loaded with Pepper, & not knowing what may be the extent of their demands for the same, It is Judged best for us to accept of this proposal & that we do accordingly recieve the Pepper from Badamallah Putturah aforesaid without letting him interfere at all with the Chitty.

[Ac]counts for [Fe]bruary passed.

The following Accounts for last Month being presented to the Board for their perusal are accordingly inspected into & & passed as enterd hereafter vizt.

The Chiefs Treasury Account It's Balance at close being vizt.

	tale	wt.	Gubr. tale	Wt.		
Chequeens	132.	129.	7. 1420.	1401	5	4
Rupees				481861	1	08

	Dollr.	Wte.
Foreign Silver	3891½	

The General Paymaster his Account of disbursements with the Warehousekeeper & Storekeeper their Accots. of Receipts & Issues, the Stewards Account of Sundries Supplied the Dolphin, & Antilope Galevats with their Detachments, Amounting to fanams nine Hundred ninety one & fifteen vis.

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Chanquem Cunhiamod & Nelerate Mahmud haveing recievd of this day eleven Thousand Rupees for the purchase of Pepper at Billiapatam, & have deliverd us Ninety six Candys computed at six Thousand seven Hundred & fifty Rupees, ask for another Supply of six Thousand Rupees Alledging, there are now two small Munchuas to be laded, which they Judge will bring about Forty Candys, and as there is more to be had, they represent, it will be necessary to have the above in readyness to Secure it. The 2 Moors Employd in the Purchase of Pepper requests a further Advance of 6000 Rupees.

These persons having been employd on our private Accounts at Several times, & entrusted with considerable sums of money we conceive it is Improbable we shall be subject to any loss, in regard to their Integrity; though it is possible they may make some bad debts, but since this Pepper will be cheaper than what we purchase of the Chitty, we think it a full Equivalent to the risque and Accordingly Directed the Treasury Issue Six thousand Rupees to the above Persons. Complyd with

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HR. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

1734/5	Foreign Silver	Dr.			1734/5	Per Contra	Cr.	
February 21	To Balance of last month	3891½			February 28	By Balance	3891½	

1734/5	Rupees.	Dr.			1734/5	Per Contra.	Cr.	Rupees	qrs.	[...]
February 1	To Balance of last month	159532	3	—	February 11	By Chatoo Chitty advanced him for Pepper.		30000	—	—
11	To Accot. Currt. Bombay recd ℔ Middlesex in 8 chests	80000	—	[...]		By Domingos Rodrigues on accot. Nealy ...		537	—	—
15	To Ditto... reced of Captn. Willm. Studholm & for which we gave him a recet Advisg. the Ho. Court of Directors thereof	4670	—	[...]		By Rice in part of 50 Corge Muliky @ 35 bales ℔ Corge to the Linguist		1648	1	4
19	To Willm. Forbes Storekeeper the Amount of his Accot. sale from the 1st November to the 31 January	429	1	[...]		By Charges Merchandize embaling & shipping 414 Candys Pepper Middlesex ...		110	2	—
	To Petty Stores under the Paymr. for 300 Dungoys & 11 brass cuttys deliverd the Storekeepers recd of Manl. Roiz	55	—	[...]		By Ditto Embaling & shipping 900 Candys of Pepper & 18 1/5 Candys Cardamoms by the Europe Ships		256	2	7
		244687	1	[...]		By Accot. Presents 1 pce. Damask to the Princes Minister		25	—	—
						By Hugh Howard Paymaster		2000	—	—
						By Dolphin Galevat Chas. & Detachmt. pd the Steward.	159. 3. 20			
						By Antilope Ditto	84 3 —			
								244	2	2[...]
					14	By Chamquem Cunhiamo & Nellerate Mahmud Adva. to buy Pepper		6000	—	—
					17	By Chatoo Chitty Ditto		20000	—	—
						By Account Presents to the Princes Officer.		4	—	—
					19	By Cunhiseu of Cotata advanced for Pepper.		1000	—	—
					28	By Hugh Howard Paymaster		4000	—	—
						By Chatoo Chitty Advanced for Pepper ...		30000	—	—
								95826	—	3[...]
						By Balance		148861	1	8[...]
								244687	1	[4...]

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CHEQUINS

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									By Rice 1000 bales bought of Domingos Roiz.			555	548	5	4
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ABSTRACT OF THE GENERAL PAYMASTER HIS ACCOᵀ. OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1734/5 VIZ.

Garrison Charges	19432	4
Charges occasiond by the Canaree Invasion	2895	12
Fortifications & house repairs	408	10
Charges on Durmapatam Island	7098	12
Fire Wood	28	6
Rice	273	10
Stable Charges	54	12
Board Wages	1350	—
Servants Wages	930	—
Hospital Charges	921	—
Charges on Merchandize	188	—
Petty Charges	423	4
Fanams	34004	6

TUESDAY 4 Sailed ship's Prince of Wales & Patty for Surat.

FRIDAY 7 Sailed the Sarah Galley for Bengall.

Letter from Bombay. Imported Ship Jenny from Bombay Captⁿ. William Boage who brought a Letter from the Honble President & Council dated the 14th Ultimo in answer ours of the 11th January, they are pleased to Inform us of their intention Supply us before the rains with more money for the Purchase of Pepper, direct our providing in the interim all we can possibly get and in [sic] there are good Grounds to believe the King of Cotata, & the French a[im] at excluding us from the Island Durmapatam, they empower [us] to take possession of it, though at the Hazard of breaking with Cotata which they esteem preferable to loosing it, taking at the sametime to our Aid such of the ountry Powers as may be willing to Joi[n] with us, they likewise repeat their directions for our Assisting the Mallabars, in order to expell the Canarees, on having a reasonable prospect of Success & Authorize us to contribute a proportion of the Expence.

SUNDAY 9 Said ship Jenney for Mocho.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 10

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The Princes Cotata & Boyanores Ministers Scheme for driving out the Canarees. The Ministers of Cotata & Boyanore appear to treat of a General Union for effecting the overthrow of the Canaree Army now on Durmapatam, Affirming their Principals are sincerely desirous of going hand in hand with the Prince and us, and the latters Bramin[ee] being present, he acquainted them in behalf of his Master; that provided the Powers this way will send to his assistance Four or Five Thousand Men to shutt up the Nᵒthern Passage of the Island & Support the Expence of said People; continue with him till they are drove over Billiapatam, and afterwards remain with him at his own Expence to clear the Country of them as far as Neleasaron (being the Extent of their present conquest) engage the French shall at their own Expence or that of the Powers this way, furnish as many vessels as the English, for Stopping up the sea, then he will readily Undertake the foregoing enterprize, as in such case there is the greatest probability it may be attended with success–the Ministers in reply to this seem'd to make no other Hesitation than about the Payment of the Four, or Five Thousand Nairs required by the Prince, & their Apprehensions it may be difficult to bring the French heartily into this engagemᵗ. though they allowd the whole to be exceedingly reasonable, & what they are Assured their Principles would readily come into.

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[Enga]ged feazable.

It is to be observd that the part we shall have in the Undertaking this Affair, will be chiefly by sea & which Expence the Prince has engaged shall be punctually paid us & as the Canarees are few in Number, Encampt in the middle of the Island, & may easily be Surrounded every way, & whose overthrow will relieve our Masters trade from their Usurpation, we think on such reasonable grounds we shall not faile of their approval, be the Consequence howsoever, & to encourage us, the Honble President & Council of Bomaby in their Commands of the 14th Ultimo now before us have been pleased to Authorise us even to bear a part of the Charge, for ridding this Country of those, who if permitted to remain, will without doubt expose our Affairs to the greatest Hazard & Difficultys.

The Prince desires our Meeting him & the Canaree General.

The Prince by one of his Confidents Assures us the Canaree General is suspicious we are meditating his distruction & as the same may, if not removed, overset the present Scheme he desires with all earnestness either the Chief, Second, or Linguist may have an Interview with him in his presence forthwith.

Debated on.

It is but Just for us to suppose the above is true, yet for us to comply therewith when we are Actualy Contriving their Overthrow, savours of the greatest Treachery & deceit, but humane Policies are not always governd by open & fair dealings, & as their Undertaking is founded on nothing but mere force, we conclude we must comply with the Princes request, Though in Order to Screen ourselves if possible from the Imputation of Decievers & likewise to preserve peace with the Canarees.

Mr. Forbes & the Linguist repair to them.

AGREED Mr. William Forbes & the Linguist do represent to the General the great damage their Continuance on Durmapatam does to our Trees & Plants which are near their Camp, & know when they propose to vacate the same, this method perhaps may give us an Opportunity to insist on their complying according to their promise, when the Mallabars have surrounded them & admit of our Acting a friendly part for passing them by sea to Mangalore, or by Land when they find themselves incapable of forcing their way to Cadalay since that place (as the Prince Assures us) will be deliverd up to him, by a party therein, adhering to Raganat their late General in Opposition to the Present.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

MONDAY 10

Substance of what passed between them.

This Evening returnd Mr. Forbes & the Linguist from seeing the Prince, & the Canaree General at a Pagoda belonging to the former bordering on the Island Durmapatam they acquaint us the Prince exceeding desirous of compleating the Confederacy in the manner set forth in our preceeding Consultation, & that he will permit of our giving a safe Passage to the Canarees in case they should be so surrounded, and not to be able to Effect it in any other manner, they performd our Directions for knowing when they intend to leave the Island, & we told it should be in ten days, as by that time they expected money to pay there people when they should Attempt to pass forward, our Mutual Friendship was talked of in General terms, without making any particular promises, & as tis usual among these Eastern people to make some presents, a trifling one was given by the General to Mr. Forbes, and returnd with a piece of Damask.

WEDNESDAY 12

Imported ship Joey from Callicut which brought us a Letter from the Linguist, wherein he advises us of his having information that Mr. Anthony Upton purchased there Fifty Candys Pepper & being in want of money he has recievd into the Companys Cash Two Thousand Rupees of the Chief which he desires may be made good to him here at Four Fanams, ten vis each being their present value.

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10,000 Rupees advanced the Chitty.

Chatoo Chitty desiring a farther advance of Ten Thousand Rupees towards carrying on an Investment of Pepper, & there being but a small Balance due from him, said sum was accordingly deliverd him.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 13

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Cotata Boyanore & the French intend Attacking the Canaree Camp & Secureing Tachara Fort.

Notice is brought us by our Spies and confirmd by the common report of the Country people that Cotata Boyanore & the French are Actualy determined to Attack the Canaree Camp in two days at farthest & that the small Fortress calld Tachara on Durmapatam, & lying under the Guns of our Principal Fort is to be strengthend, so as it may be capable of secureing the Mallabars retreat in case they should be worsted, the above report seems to us somewhat inconsistant being contrary to what was talked on the 10th Instant, but we are not to wonder at any alteration of measures among people of such variable Dispositions.

Debates thereon.

The little Fortress calld Tachara abovementiond might have been in our Possession, when we first took the Island had we been Apprized in time of Cotata's haveing his people there, but when the Chief went on the Island the day following & viewd it, he coud no Otherewise obtain it, than by force, & thereby risque a Breach with that King, which was thought best to be avoided & application made for his vacating the same Yet though this has been done at several times, we coud never induce him to quit it, though he has often promisd to do it, & now we plainly percieve his drift has been entirely to keep his footing there to use it as it may best Serve his purposes against his Enemys & to induce us to pay the sum we formerly promised him for a quiet admittance thereon when it was in profound peace, This small Fortress is within Gunshott of ours & borders on the rivers opposite to his palace at Netture, & perhaps we might hereafter be able to Master it, but as it is made of mud the Engineer is of opinion, It might give us trouble in effecting it, & possibly be frustrated at last, & if so we might be Subject to great inconveniencys with an Enemy on the Iland [sic] to the incommoding our communication between our places, & how know we as the French are a most presumptuous People, and entirely Attachd to Cotata, but they might give him there men to Garrison it, & hoist their Colours, thereby bringing us into a tedious & perplexd dispute without our being able to Judge of the Issue.

Continued.

Resolution.

The above points being duly considerd by the board, as well as that Cotata is no ways inclind to us, but on the Contrary believe we were the Instruments in bringing the Canarees on the Island, that their is hardly any hopes of his resigning it to us voluntarily, & that the Consequences of its remaining in his hands may prove exceeding prejudicial to us, & that in case they should send a body of people there, we shall be under a Necessity for our own Preservation, to impede them, thereby bringing us into an immediate Rupture, and as that part of the Island save this little spot is Secured to us, we are Unanimous in Opinion, It will be safer & better to possess it forthwith then waite for seeing the consequences of that Kings proceedings Accordingly AGREED, that we give Instructions [to] Lieutenant Mendouza, to watch a convenient Opportunity to thr[ust] a competent number of our people without using any Hostility to those of Cotata & in order to render, if we can this King Satisf[ied] with our so doing that we write him the Letter enterd hereafter.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

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To the King of Cotata.

"You are very sensible we advised you sometime since" that the Canarees, on knowing your people to be in the Small Fortress calld Tachara seemd determind to Attack them and since the General has in a most positive Manner declared he will not defer the Execution of it much longer, This we cannot help Crediting, & therefore to prevent so great a mischief, we have Appointed our People to Guard & Defend that Place, & which will prove a Sufficient safeguard to your Country thereabouts, as we shall not permit the Canarees to come within reach of our shot, nor indeed any other armed Force. Ola to Cotata.

Lieutenant Mendouza by Letter Informs us of his having taken possession of the small Fortress calld Tachara, wherein he found only three Nairs, who made no resistance & that he has placed a Competent Number of men for its defence. Thursday 13 Tachara Fort Secured.

Sailed ship Joey for Mocho. Ditto Die

Imported the Jumally Ketch from Bombay Capt John Hill Commandr. —

Sailed the Jumally for Mocho. Friday 14

Chanquem Cuniamod & Nelearate Mahmod the Two Persons employd in the Purchase of Pepper about Billiapatam, desiring a farther Advance of Two Thousand Rupees towards carrying on their Investment, the same was Accordingly deliverd them Tuesday 18 2,000 Rupees Adva. to Changuem Cuniahmund & Nelerate Mahmud.

Att a Consultation Thursday 20

Present

The Worshipfull Stephen Law Esqr. Chief.

William Forbes. Hugh Howard.

William Jeynson.

Our Pepper Merchant Chatoo. Chitty having deliverd us Sixteen Hundred & fifty Candys of Pepper in part of his contract for Two Thousand & the price rising in the Country through the Clandestine exportation of it to Callicut where it is now Ninety Rupees the Candy, & the expectation the French ship lately Arrived from Pondicherry, may want a quantity, we Conceive our making another purchase with the Chitty forthwith highly convenient he is Accordingly introduced, and required to deliver us Fifteen Hundred Candys, which is as we apprehend as much as we shall have money to pay for (reserving for our Charges) but he is in no wise to be prevailed on to contract for above one thousand Two Hundred & for which he demands seventy four Rupees though at last he is brought to the conditions of the former being seventy two Rupees the Candy which is Accepted, & an Advance of Thirty Thousand Rupees is Agreed to be made him According to his request. 200 Candys Pepper Contracted for wth. ye. Chitty. & [30]000 Rupees [a]dva. him.

Notwithstanding the eagerness of Boyanore & Cotata to Attack the Canarees as set forth in our preceeding consultation, we are now informd by Pattaree & Canachinombier Ministers of the above Powers, that their Masters are determined to Accept of the Conditions Mentiond in our Consultation of the 10th Instant for Joining in one Common League Against the Canarees towards expelling them their Conquest & enquire of us if we are fixt in our resolution's for engaging with them, as the French express a readyness to Join whenever the other partys are duly prepared. Cotata & Boyanores Ministers Consulted with.

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Reasuming the consideration of the points set forth in said Consultation they are askd if they are willing to comply with the Princes demands for furnishing him with a considerable body of men at their own expence, untill the Enemy is drove over the River Billiapatam, & give us Sufficient Testimony of their being Sincere in the Present undertaking to which they say, they will not only furnish the men aforesaid on the Princes termes but convince us as far as in them lies of their upright intentions in this Affair.

Resolution. From the Present Circumstances we conclude there is great reason to Expect a Successfull Issue from the above interprize as will be better seen from what we add hereafter in this Consultation & it is therefore AGREED we dismiss these people with Assurances of our being in readyness to enter on the Affair, whenever it is held Convenient by the Partys Interested.

We are creditably informd the Canaree Army diminishes dayly through the desertion of their people for want of pay, & that their Necessitys are such, That their General has been obliged to Paun his plate & Jewels, which amounts to so little, that tis Apprehended, it will be impossible for him to subsist much longer, unless supplies Arrive of which there is no certainty, and he now Solicites us to furnish him with one Thousand Bales of rice, promising to discharge its value very Speedily, this Notice may be deemd serviceable to us, provided the Mallabars Join in the present intended League, as we conceive it will not be very difficult Attacking people under such eminent disadvantages, be[...] should the Mallabars be as sensible as we are of the same, & act only on the defensive, they will in all probability be freed from their Enemy, without Striking a Stroke, and then at the Instigation of the French, left at liber[ty] to Molest & distrub us for having as they suppose been the Instruments of bringing them to Attack their Country, when we are Assured notwithstanding our real Innocence, we shall be exposed to their utmost Malice & Rage.

Canaree Genl. desires a Supply of rice.

Debated on. The Board duly considering this, & that there is a probability of finishing the intended Scheme speedily in order to enter on Action, it is Judged infinitely better to support the Canarees by the Loan they request, than risque the Aforesaid Consequences, as the Expence of one thousand Bales of Rice (admitting it lost) bears no porportion to that we shall be Subject to, through the Canarees retireing for want of Sustenance; & though our making this loan may not perhaps be Agreable to our Superiours, through their want of knowledge of the present Scituation of Affairs, yet in our Judgment it behoves us, to risque the loss of the same in preference of the other Extream.

1000 bales Agreed to be sent him. Accordingly AGREED, the Linguist send one Thousand Bales of Rice to the Princes people at Maplangat, for their furnishing the Canarees therewith.

50 Carwar Seepoys enlisted. One Mahmod Caun who served a Considerable time in our Factory at Carwar offers us as many Seepoys as we may be in want of at the Accustomary Pay of three Rupees & an half ℔ month, and their Diet, & their Officers according to their quality in like manner Assuring us they may be depended on both in regard to their Fidelity & Courage; we are Sensible we ought to avoid encreasing our expences, Considering how extravagant they are at this time, but having no less then ten Fortresses to Garrison (including those on Durmapatam, we have reason to believe our Numbers would be to few in times of Action, & as the Canarees are so near us, & the Country in so unsettled a condition, we esteem a timely provision against the worst as most consistant with prudence, especially as we shall be unable hereafter were we to refuse the present Opportunity) to Supply ourselves by any means whatever; Preferring therefore the Safety of the whole, to the Expence the Listing more people. AGREED we entertain as far as Fifty, including Officers, on the terms above mentiond.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

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FRIDAY 21

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Advices to the Linguist from Cotata & Boyanores Ministers at Mihie & a letter from Monsr Tremisot.

Notice is brought the Linguist from the Ministers of Cotata & Boyanore now at Mihie that the French are ready to Join in the Confederacy for expelling the Canarees over the river Billiapatam, & that they will furnish the people of Boyanore & Cotata with everything Necessary, & Continue Sincere in the Undertaking, as well as Assist with all the Forces they can spare in Conjunction with us at their own Charge, Untill the above end is Obtaind, and afterwards assist in the like Manner as far as they can, for obliging them to leave their Conquest as far as Nelleasaron; but the expence of the same to be defrayed by the Prince, & to Confirm the truth of this the better to us, a Letter is now brought the Chief from Monsr. Tremisot importing, that as he is given to understand we are willing to enter in the proposed design, & being himself out of order requests the Chief will meet him at Mihie, for discoursing with the above Ministers on the present point.

Taken under Consideration.

The experience we have had of the French, by no means leads us to have any dependance on them as they violated their last Articles in a direct manner, exclusive of treating us with abundance of equivocations, but as they may be of use in executing the proposed Scheme we Judge we cannot well avoid admitting them, as otherwise the Mallabars will be confirmd in their opinion we are not realy Sincere in our professions for exterpating the Common enemy & any scruples therefore made by us may incline them to think we only want to embarrass.

further Debates thereon.

That our Masters Interest is Immediately concernd as well as that of the Country in General, in forcing the retreat of the Canarees is very evident, yet however it behoves us to take due care, how we begin this Enterprize, least any of the Partyes, should faile in their Engagement & expose us and the Prince to exceeding difficultys; our main point is to be Satisfied, there will be no deficiency of money for conducting it, & in th[at] we apprehend we had better Confide in the French, for their Answering for Cotata & Boyanore, as to what relates to their Parts, than to trust the [other] as of the two, those Mallabars seem to be least to be depended on, though it is to be considerd, if we insist with the French on this point, they will have equal reason to demand our being Answerable in like manner in behalf of the Prince, & previous to our doing this we are to know how far we may depend on him; his Braminee being here is askd if Admitting we engage for him as before mentiond, we may depend on having a sum deposited sufficient for our Carrying on the expence, & that more money will be deliverd us afterwards as may be required without Subjecting our Honble Masters to advance by Loan or Otherewise; to which he replys, there will be no failure, & our Linguist also Assures us, the Prince Solemnly promised to him, he would provide in such manner as may free us from any Apprehensions of being decievd.

Resolution.

The Board taking the above into Mature consideration, are of opinion, That now is the time for making the Attempt since the Canarees are in so distressed a Condition, and on the whole do Empower the Chief with Mr. William Forbes, assisted by the Linguist to repair to Mihie tomorrow morning for the Setling with the French, & the Ministers of Cotata & Boyanore on the following terms.

Conditions to be setled between us & the French.

1st. That the French do in behalf of Cotata & Boyanore furnish Provisions, Ammunitian, &ca. as far as is Necessary for supporting the Three Thousand Nairs that are to be sent by those Powers to Join the Prince & also the People belonging to them now in defence of Cotatas Country, and the whole to be continued untill the Canarees are drove over the river Billiapatam.

2d. That the French likewise furnish as many warlike vessels, as we are able to do, for impeeding the bringing Provisions to the Canarees, and also to spare as many people Guns &ca. as they can Ashore, in support of the Confederacy, each

of us to defray our respective Charges, untill they are drove over the river Billiapatam, when whatever Assistance is required by the Prince, the French Mallabars & us are Obliged to Afford him, he paying the Expence.

3d. We oblige ourselves to be answerable in behalf of the Prince in regard to his Supplying Provisions Ammunition &ca. in like manner as the French are for Cotata & Boyanore.

4th. That the Prince rule & direct the whole Confederacy now and hereafter.

That Articles be drawn out Suitable to the foregoing and the Chief to endeavour for putting things in Motion forthwith.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON

SATURDAY 22D. The report of the Chief &ca. relating to what passed at Mihie.

This Evening the Chief & Mr. Forbes with the Linguist returnd from Mihie, where they met the Ministers of Cotata & Boyanore, In whose presence the French declared their readyness to Join in the Confederacy for expelling the Canarees the Mallabar Country; but when the Main points were about to be Settled, they refused obliging themselves to furnish the Necessary Supplys in behalf of Boyanore & Cotata (as we Offerd to do in behalf of the Prince) Otherwise than in being Security for them, and as that expression might hereafter subject us to Sundry disputes, in the end tending to Overset the Affair & involve us & the Prince in exceeding Mischiefs, Our Gentlemen were the more eager for having it inserted in plain & positive terms, that they Oblige themselves to furnish the Supplies aforesaid leaving it to them to take such security of the Mallabars as they might think proper, & finding they could not be brought to Agree, they took their leave, after being well convinced the Ministers of Cotata & Boyanore highly resented the French having made any difficultys in performing what they had Absolutely promised to do.

MONDAY 24 1735

Arrived ship Robert from Bombay Captn. Walter Grant Commr.

WEDNESDAY 26

Sailed the Robert for Cochin.

MONDAY 31

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM. JEYNSON.

Boyanore & Cotata seperate.

Since our last attempts to unite in a Confederacy Against the Canarees, we are Assured Sundry Consultations were held between Cotata & Boyanore, for raising a sum of money to be deposited in our hands, to carry on the Undertaking in Exclusion of the French, but as that coud not be agreed on among themselves, and the above Powers entertaining Jealousies of each other Boyanore with all his people is retired to his own Country, and both Partys very much disatisfied with each other.

The Canarees destroy our Trees &ca. on Durmapatam.

As the above Scheme seems to have failed we are to Apprehend, the Canarees may resolve on Continuing where they are on Durmapatam, destroying the Tre[es] & Grounds about their Camp, so as to render it impossible for us to regain this loss, in a reasonable time; but as the sundry Messages we have sent for them to retire have had no effect, & it appearing to hazardous Attempting of ourselves to dislodge them ℔ force, as they are at some distance from our Fortress we conceive it will be most eligible for us to remain still under these disadvantages for the present the rather as the Prince will be here in a few days, with whom we may consult on the most suitable methods to be taken.

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Having this Season Commenced a Provision of Four Thousand two Hundred & six Candys Pepper which we have great reason to believe will be duly deliverd we conceive as we cannot be certain of the Amount of what our Superiours may send us, we ought not to proceed in making any more considerable purchases, least we should not be in Cash to Satisfie for any further contract made and in order to demonstrate our provision of this commodity, here follows an Account thereof viz^{t}. The State of one Pepper Contracts this season.

2000	Candy's Contracted for with Chattoo Chitty the 11 Febry. most of which is already brought in
1200	Contracted with the above on the 11 march
206	Ditto with Badamalah Puterah.
200	now to be deliverd by him as will appear hereatfer.
400	Expected from Chanquem Cunia Amud & Nelerate Mahmud from Billiapatam
100	Expected from the King of Cotata of which he has deliverd about Twenty five Candys
100	from Cuniseu of Cotata part of which having been likewise deliverd.
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Badamallah Putturah offers us Two Hundred Candys Pepper at Seventy Three Rupees to be deliverd in by the end of next month to recieve the Amount after it is weighd into our Warehouse being positive in not Accepting anything less, and as this is a sure & safe Method we do agree to Accept thereof thô it be one Rupee in a Candy more then we pay the Chitty. Badamalah Putterah Contracted with for 200 Cs. Pepper @ 73 Rupees each.

Chanquem Cuniahmud & Nelerate Mahmod the persons employd for Procuring Pepper at Billiapatam wanting a farther Supply of six Thousand Rupees for Carrying on their Purchases; It is AGREED we advance the same as they are not much in Arrears. 6000 Rupees Advᵃ. Chanquem Cuniahmud & Nelerate Mahud.

Chattoo Chitty likewise solicites for an advance of Thirty Thousand Rupees more, representing our refusal will render his getting the Pepper very difficult, as well as precarious, & we conceiving the same to be true do resolve on complying with his request. [3]0000 Rupees Advᵃ. the Chitty.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Arrived the Anjengo Ketch Isaac Hope Master from Anjengo who brings us a Letter from the Chief & Factors dated the 20th Ultimo adviseing to have sent on her the detachment of soldiers, which arrived with them the 14th. on the Dolphin sloop from Madrass for the Service of this Settlement, & that the President & Council there have desired them to Charge the Frigght paid the Master (being Three Hundred fifty seven Rupees to Bombay Presidency they enclose a Letter from said President & Council dated the 4th Ffebruary wherein they own the receipt of what we wrote them the 23^{d} December, signifying their sending to us a supply of Thirty Topasses, on the aforementiond sloop, being all she cou'd carry & enclosed an Account of Charges on them, with Invoice of their Accoutrements. APRIL FRIDAY 4. Letter from Anjengo. Letter from Madrass.

This Evening dispatchd the Anjengo Ketch for Anjengo by her wrote the Chief & Factors a Letter advising them of our having landed the Madrass detachment, & that we should credit Bombay Presidency for the Money they paid the Master of the Vessel that brought them. SATURDAY 5TH. Letter to Anjengo.

Imported the Cumberland Galley from Gombroon John Rawlinson Captn. & Supracargo.

Sailed the Gombroon Merchant for Bengall & Cumberland Galley for Gombroon. SATURDAY 12TH.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

SATURDAY 12TH.

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLM. JEYNSON.

Conference with the Prince.

The Prince Cunhi Homo comes to the Fort, & represents the impossibility he finds in Uniting Cotata & the other Powers with him on any reasonable terms, for expelling the Canarees as they do not seem inclined to give any deposite of money, nor is there so good an harmony Among them, as is requisite in an undertaking of this sort; Therefore he purposes to Join the Canarees for Carrying the war into the Country of Cotata when that King on finding himself more closely beset, may probably be much readier, than he now is to come into the proper Measures for effecting the Overthrow of these Invaders.

Taken under consideration.

We have always had a Just sence of the Evils that may Attend our Interest through the Continuance of the Canarees in this Country, and therefore have been continually contriving how to compass their remov[al] but as their seems no Harmony whatever Among the Mallabar Powers, on the Contrary, they appear rather to wish the distruction of each Other, or will they deposite even a Small sum of money for the supporting an Army, or from what does appear by an Attempt they made lately, will they behave with a becoming resolution, & therefore for us to engage with them in these Circumstances to the endangering bringing the whole Burthen on ourselves is what we apprehend our Hoñble Masters would in no wise Approve of; so that since we cannot on any reasonable Grounds attempt to remedy these evils, without risquing worse, we have only to remain as we are, & watch all convenient Opportunitys, for Accomplishing what we have so much at heart. The King of Cottata in an Ola to the Chief desires leave for carrying Four Guns (the French have promised to spare him) through the river of Codolee, & as our refusal might induce him to carry them by Land, as is very possible, lead him to complain as well as the Country, that we neither Assist him Ourselves, or will lett others, that it may even Occasion the stop of our Trade, Our Consenting therefore is Judged preferable to the disobliging him for the foregoing reasons.

Resolution

Cotatas request.

Complyd with.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

SUNDAY 13TH.

Imported ship Elizabeth Andrew Sheppard Commr. & George Williamson Supracargo from Bombay, by her recievd a Letter from the Honble President & Council dated the 30th Ultimo owning the receipt of our severals under the Seventeenth January & 13th February, which they purpose Answering, when the Cowan sailes which would be in about Four days they enclose us Invoice of Twenty Five Barrels Gunpowder. Arrived also the Richmond Samuel Sutcliffe Captn. & Supra Cargo from the above mentiond place, who brought us Twenty Barrels Gunpowder laded by the Hoñble President & Council.

MONDAY 14.

Sailed ship Elizabetb for Bengall.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

TUES DAY 15.

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQ^R^. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILL^M^. JEYNSON.

The following accounts relating to the Affairs of this settlement for last month, being laid before the board for their Inspection, are Accordingly Examined & passd, as Enterd hereafter viz^t^. Accounts for March Passd.

The Chiefs Treasury Account Its Balance at close being viz^t^.

Rupees	... ...	39894	2 44
		Doll^r^.	W^t^.
Foreign Silver	... ...	1000	

The General Paymaster his Account of disbursements, with the Warehouse keeper & Storekeeper their Accounts of receipts & Issues, also the Stewards Account of sundrys Supplyd the Dolphin & Antelope Galevats Amounting to ffanams seven Hundred Ninety Seven, which is directed to be discharged.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
W^M^. FORBES.
H^H^. HOWARD.
W^M^. JEYNSON.

1734/5	Rupees	Dr.	Rupees	Qrs	rs.
March 1.	To Ballance of last month ..		148861	1	08
17	To Foreign Silver Exchanged 1000 Dollars for		2200	—	—
		Rupees ..	151061	1	08

1734/5	Per Contra.	Cr.			Rupees	Qrs.	rs.
March 3.	By Cuniseu of Cotata Advanced for Pepper				2000	—	—
	By Dolphin Galevats Charges paid her people for Decemr. February & January				722	2	34
7	By Antilope ditto				482	2	—
	By Chanquem Cuniahmod & Nelearate Mahmud Advs. for Pepper				6000		—
	By Dolphin Galevats Charges paid the Stewards Accounts for February	121	2	45			
	By Antilope Ditto	76	2	50			
					198	—	95
11	By Chattoo Chitty Advanced for Pepper				10000	—	—
13	By Garrison Stores bought viz. Ghea 47 Jarrs at 26 Rupees each	1222	—	—			
	Goa Arrack 55 Hogsheads vizt.						
	21 Hogsheads @ 16½ of Goa Vessels	346	2	—			
	17 ditto 16 ..	272	—	—			
	17 ditto 12 ..	204	—	—			
		822	2	—			
	Firelocks 54. Viz.						
	40 with boxes of Captn. Studholm	280	—	—			
	14 Short @ 5—2—60 ..	79	—	40			
		359	—	40			
	1 Iron Gun 6 Pounder for Grove Island Cwt. pze. 24 @ 7	168	—	—			
	2 Rolls sheet lead of Capt. Cha. Ward poize 1688 lb. @ 56 ℔ 540 lb.	175	—	—			
					2746	2	40
	By Cuniseu of Cotata for Ca 6 Mds. 3 of Cardamoms taken of the Chief @ 96 Gubbers is 590 1/5 @ 19¼ is fanams	11365	3	—			
	to make up Ca. 18 Md. 4 Do. given the Company				2273	—	15
	By Callicut Factory Supplied the Linguist by the Chief ..				2000	—	—
	By Rice for ffreight of Thirty Corge ℔ Joey				206	—	—
	By Stationary Ware for 7 Reams of paper, 500 Quils Ink ..				85	—	—

1734/5	Per Contra.	Cr.	Rupees	Qrs	rs.
March	By Account Presents to the Canarees General 1 ps. Damask ..		27		——
18	Chanquem Cuniamod & Nelearate Mahmod advanced for Pepper		2000	—	—
19.	By Badamalla Putterah paid in part of Pepper weighd ..		6000	—	—
21	By Chattoo Chitty Account his Second Contract of 1200 Candys Pepper Advanced		30000	—	—
	By Hugh Howard Paymaster		1000	—	—
25	By Badamalla Putterah in full of 206 Candys Pepper Weighd @ 72		4670	2	—
	By Garrison Stores for 15 Hogsheads Goa Arrack at 17 ..		255	—	—
31	By Hugh Howard Paymaster for this months Charges ..		4500	—	—
—	By Chatto Chitty Account his second Contract		30000	—	—
	By Chanquem Cuniamud & Nelearate Mahmud Advanced ..		6000	—	—
			111166	2	—
	By Balance		39894	2	—
		Rupees ..	151061	1	—

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1734/5	Foreign Silver	Dr.	Mall Doll^{r}. Wt
March 1st	To Ballance of last Month ..		3891½

1734/5	Per Contra.	Cr.	Mall Doll Wt.
March 17.	By Rupees exchanged at 11 fanams each		1000
25	By Badamalah Putterah in part of Pepper weighed		1891½
31	By Balance		1000
			3891½

Tellicherry
March 31. 1735

Errors Excepted
S. Stephen Law.

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ABSTRACT OF THE GENERAL PAYMASTER HIS ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1735 VIZ.

	ffanams		
Garrison Charges	17827	—	[...]
Charges occasiond by the Canaree Invasion	3355	—	[...]
Fortifications & House Repairs	1706	—	[...]
Rice	61	—	[...]
Stable Charges	50	—	[...]
Servants Wages	930	—	[...]
Board Wages	1350	—	[...]
Hospital Charges	764	—	[...]
Charges on Merchandize	188	—	[...]
Charges on Durmapatam Island	11852	1	[...]
Petty Charges	268	1	[...]
Tellicherry ffanams ...	38355	1	[...]

FRIDAY 18 By a Shybar which sailed this Evening for Bombay, wrote the Honble President & Council a Letter of this date, giving them the Necessary Advices relating to affairs in General, since our last of the 4th Ultimo duplicate whereof was also transmitted them.

SATURDAY 19 Sailed ship Richmond for Bengall.

DITTO DIE ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

16000 Rupees Advs. Chatoo Chitty. Chatoo Chitty our Pepper Merchant represents to us his being in want of a farther Advance to the amount of sixteen Thousand Rupees towards carrying on his Investment, as without it he shall not be able to deliver in the Quantity of Pepper Contracted with him for.

Apprehending little or no risque will Attend our Complying with the Chettys request, AGREED the Treasury issue out to him the Aforementiond sum.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

SUNDAY 20 [Letter] from Bombay. Imported ship Cowan from Bombay Captn Robert Mackneal Commander from Messrs. Upton & Cowan Supracargos, by her recievd a Letter from the Honble President & Council dated the 9th & 11th Instant acknowledging the receipt of

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what we wrote them Under the 4th Ultimo & enclose an Invoice of Stores Amounting to Five Thousand, Fourty one Rupees & Twenty one raes, and Apprehending the Supplys of cash allready sent us will be Sufficient, for our Purchases before the rains, they defer sending us a farther sum till October, as they cannot conveniently do it now, they recommend to us, the making Durmapatam the Head Settlement, & leave only the Warehouses, with a Small work at Tellicherry and Codollee they repeat their Injunctions for our Joining with the Mallabar Powers, for removing the Canarees out of the Country, & Permit us to bear our own expences on that Occasion, and in case the French should Attempt to disturb us, we are to use the proper resolution, & be at a Suitable Expence for Opposing any such design, they are pleased to Approve of the grant we Obtaind from the Prince for our holding Durmapatam & the writing to be deliverd him in security of his Customs.

ATT A CONSULTATION — SUNDAY 20

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Letter from Bombay perused.

On Perusal of our Letter now recievd from the Hoñble Presidt. & Council of Bombay taken Notice of above we find that through their Apprehensions of our not being able to Invest all our Stock before the rains, they shall deferr a farther supply till October, as they cannot conveniently Afford it now.

Our want of Money taken into Consideration.

Our expectation of recieving money speedily and the Uncertainty we were, and are under of the pepper continuing at its present price, induced us to be the more eager for laying in as much as we Supposed the Hoñble Company might want, and Accordingly four Thousand & Six Candys as Appears by our Consultation of the 31st Ultimo is contracted for & expected, for the payment whereof, there will be a deficiency of near Thirty two Thousand Rupees, conformable to our Calculate forwarded to Bombay under the 18th Instant and allowing for our Charges 'till the end of October which are at present very large, we may probably require for that Article Forty Eight Thousand Rupees which Added to the foregoing, seems to render us in want of near Eighty Thousand Rupees, and to provide for this Contingency there are but two ways offer, Namely, either to dispose of part of the Pepper, [or] endeavour to raise a Competent sum at Interest.

Debates thereon.

Debating on this point, It is Apprehended that should we dispose of part of the Pepper, and Afterwards be required to buy more in [the] Month of October we may not be able to gett it on the present terms, [if] perhaps at all, as the French may be Supplyd overland with more on the Arrival of their ships from Europe, or have one here in August directly from France, to the rendering this Comodity exceeding scarce [as] well as dear, and as Allowing, for the Interest on part of the money [to] be applied for the payment of the Pepper Contracted for & expected, will [so] amount to above three & an half Rupees in a Candy, making the price a proportion thereof seventy five & an half Rupees, which is more Moderate than has been for some time. We do entirely concur in opi[nion] that the raising of Money at Interest for the Above purpose & defraying Charges, is much preferable to the disposing of the Pepper, and as this Country does not abound with moneyd men Consequently not to be raised on a short warning, It is Judged safer & best for us immediately to endeavour the raising about Seventy Thousand Rupees on the easiest terms possible, thô we cannot suppose it will be under Ten ℔ Cent ℔ Annum, the Accustomary Interest at this place.

70000 Rupees Agreed to be taken up at Interest.

Directed the Linguist be employd to raise the above sum from the Braminees of Paliacatacherry, or by what other means he can, taking care our wants be kept as Secret as possible.

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Ola from Boyanore Perused & Resolution thereon.

The Chief recieved an Ola from Boyanore desiring he will meet him speedily at Burgorah or Mutinga having some affairs of Consequence to talk with him upon, but as we apprehend the same m[ay] as well be done with Mr. Forbes, and our Linguist, AGREED that we write him a Civil Answer, letting him know they will meet him whence he pleases, provided he cannot conveniently come to the Pagoda of Tiringat.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

FRIDAY 25TH.

Sailed ship Cowan for China.

[12]000 rupees taken at Interest.

Agreable to our Resolution of the 20th to take up money towards the payment of Pepper Contracted for; & our Charges, Badamalah Puterah a person of this Country is introduced who tenders us the sum of twelve thousand Rupees at Interest at the rate of 10 ₹ Ct. ₹ Annum which is accepted of, & a proper bond given him accordingly for the same. Chanquem Cuniahmud & Nelerate Mahmud requesting a farther advance of Three Thousand Rupees in order to carry on their Investment & they being but a small matter in Arrears that amount was deliverd them.

3000 Rupe. Advanced [Cha]nquem Cuniamud Nelerate Mahmud [..]ay.

FRIDAY 2.

Imported ship William Captn. Chas. Hopkins Richard Waring Supracargo from Surat, also ship Childs William Coward Captn. & Supra Cargo & ship Prince Frederick Captn. James Parker, James Coult Supra Cargo from said Place.

SATURDAY 3D.

Sailed ship Childs, William & Prince Frederick for the Coast & Bay, by the Former wrote the Honble President & Council of Madrass a short Letter of this date in Answer to theirs of the 4th. February, & returnd them 6 of the Soldiers they sent us being old & infirm.

[Let]ter to Madrass.

TUESDAY 6

Ayopa Putterah son of Suamah Putterah offers to lend us Thirteen Thousand Rupees at Interest at the rate of Ten ₹ Cent ₹ Annum, which is Accordingly paid into the Companys Cash & a bond given him for the same.

[13]000 Rupees taken [up] at Interest.

[15]000 Rupees Adva to buy Pepper.

Chatoo Chitty applying to us for a farther advance of Fifteen Thousand Rupees to carry on his purchases of Pepper the same was Issued out to him from the Treasury.

WEDNESDAY 7.

Eyta Achem Chitty Nephew of Chatoo Chitty, tenders us a Loan of Twenty Thousand Rupees at the Interest of Ten ₹ Cent pr. Annum, which is Accepted of and a bond deliverd him for the same.

[20]000 Rups. taken up at Interest.

THURSDAY 8.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Chatoo Chittys Munchua Seized by the Samorine.

Notice is given us that a Munchua belonging to our Merchant Chatoo Chitty that lately sailed from this place to Callicut, is detaind by the Government of that place, under pretence of her belonging to the Canarees, as she had one of those people aboard her, but they must be Sensible of her being Actualy the property of the aforesaid Chatoo Chitty & Navigating under the Ho. Company's Protection has their Pass & a Christian Soldier on Board her.

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We have for sometime been but indifferently treated by Samorine & his Governour, for the former yet refuses to Answer the Chiefs Le[tter] in demand of his debt, althô our Jungados have attended him for that pu[rpose] at Several times, and the latter cease to treat our people with the Usual [Chari]tys as in times past, indeed from what appears, this King has entire[ly] forgot the many Instances of the Companys favours to him, & is resolv[ed] [to] detain their Money, & return ill usage in Other respects, however we Judge nothing more is in our Power at present, than to write him a Letter [of] Complaint for his detaining the above Munchua, & refusing to pay his [money] which is Accordingly AGREED to. Resolution.

The Just Sence we have of the Injury done the Island Durmapatam, by the Canarees, thrô their Cutting down the Trees for their own Use, and other damages induced us to try for effecting an Union [with] these Country Powers for Expelling them the Mallabar Territorys, as the so doing is the only Method that can be taken, to free our H°. Master['s] Trade and Priviledges from their Usurpation as well as relieve the above Island, but altho Sundry Attempts have been made with Boyanore & Cotata they seem no otherwise inclined to Join us, but by making us the Principals, tending thereby to expose us to greater difficultys, Charges than our Honble Masters can well Support, & we have reason to dread that if we were engaged Against the Canarees the whole bourth[en] May light on us, so that all things considerd althô our Superiours [in] their Letter to us under the 9th of April do empower us to bear our own Charges in this undertaking, yet in the present Circumstances, we think our making the Attempt Unadviseable, & for the present it will be more eligible to bear the distruction of our Trees, than run ourselves into an Hazardous & most expensive undertaking. reflections on the Canarees & the Backwardness of the Mallrs. in Joining against them. that it will be more eligible.

The Following Accounts for last month being laid before the board for their perusal, are accordingly examined & passed as enterd hereafter.

The Chiefs Treasury Accountt its balance at close being viz.

	Rups.	Qrs.	rs.
Rupees	15776.	2.	4

	Dollr. Wt.
Foreign Silver	1000

The General paymaster his Account of Disbursements with the Warehousekeeper & Storekeeper their Account of receipts & Issues, also the latters Account sale for the Three last months Amounting to fanams Three Thousand, Fifty four & Four vis which is paid into the Treasury, the Stewards Account of Sundrys supplied the Dolphin & Antelope Galevats Amounting to fanams Six Hundred Thirty & Fourteen Vis which is directed to be discharged.

For the reasons set forth in our Consultation of the 20th Ult°. we have as appears by our Diary, preceding Borrowd & recievd of sundry Persons namely Badamalah Putterah the 25th Ult° Twelve Thousand Rupees; Apaya Putterah Thirteen Thousand Rupees the 6th Instant; and Eyta Achem Chitty the 7th Twenty Thousand Rupees making in all Forty five Thousand Rupees at Ten ℔ Cent pr. Annum premium, to whom we Severaly passed our bonds in behalf of the Company, & now Anna Putere & Mane Sabiam tender us Eighteen Thousand Rupees on the same terms which is Accepted, & a bond given him Accordingly which sum Makes in all Sixty Three Thousand Rupees we Apprehend will answer for the payment of our Charges & Satisfie for the Pepper contracted for.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

	Rupees.	Dr.		
1735		Rups.	qrs.	rs.
April 1	To Ballance of last month	39894	2	44
24	To Badamalah Puttarah taken at Interest at 10 ℘ Ct. for which gave him a bond till paid as ℘ Consultation..	12000	—	—
	Rupees ..	51894	2	44

1735	℘ Contra.	Cr.		
April 12	By Account Presents given at the Feast of Boe	308	3	20
	By Garrison Stores for 8 Hogsheads Goa Arrack @ 17 is	136	—	—
	By the King of Cotata Advanced him for Pepper	2000	—	—
14	By Hugh Howard Pmr.	2000	—	—
	By Dolphin Galevat Chas. pd the Steward for March 113. 2. 45			
	By Antilope Ditto 45. 3. 15	159	1	60
19	By Chautoo Chitty Advs. to buy Pepper ..	16000	—	—
25	By Chanquem Cuniamud & Nelerate Mahmud D°.	3000	—	—
28	By Badamala Putarah pd him in part of Pepper.	7933	3	60
	By Hugh Howard Pmr.	4500	—	—
	By Garrison Stores for 5 Hogsheads Goa Arrack.	80	—	—
		36118	—	40
	By Ballance	15776	2	4
	Rupees ..	51894	2	44

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1735	Foreign Silver.	Dr.	Dollars.
April 1	To Ballance of last month		1000

1735	℘ Contra.	Cr.	Dollars.
April 30	By Ballance		1000

Errors Excepted
℘ Stephen Law.

Tellicherry
April 30. 1735.

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ABSTRACT OF THE PAYMASTERS ACCOT. OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1735.

	Fanams	Vis.	raes.
Garrison Charges	18979	1	[...]
Chas. occasiond by the Canaree Invasion	4214	1	[...]
Fortifications & House Repairs	2037	1	[...]
Rice Charges thereon	39	1	[...]
Grahm botl....	265	—	[...]
Fire Wood Do	136	8	[...]
Stable Charges	51	8	[...]
Servants Wages	930	—	[...]
Board Wages	1350	—	[...]
Hospital Charges	780	10	[...]
Charges on Merchandize	368	—	[...]
Charges on Durmapatam Island	16039	15	[...]
Petty Charges	336	7	[...]
Fanams	45529	1	[...]

ACCOUNT SALE OF STORES FROM THE 1ST FEBRUARY TO THE LAST OF APRIL 1735 BEING 3 MONTHS VIZ.

			Fanams	vis
Gunpowder 4 Barrels Bombay			690	—
Lead 1230 sold for			400	—
Iron Europe 35 lb @ ½	17	8		
Ditto 76 lb in Iron work 64 lb Net...	95	8		
			113	—
Garrison Stores Vizt.				
Nailes 63½ lb	100	12		
1 Cartouch Box	10	—		
14½ lb Bengal Twine	17	8		
Europe sail cloth 18½ Yds	65	—		
2 Padlocks	7	8		
1 Hand Saw	15	—		
Leather ½ Tand Back & 1 Cow hide	57	8		
Cartridge Paper 1 Qr. Goa	9	8		
Lead Balls 4900 of sorts pze 150 @ ¾	112	8		
Copper Plate ½ lb	2	8		
Brass wire 1 lb	5	—		
Round shott 100 viz.				
20 1 pdrs.				
40 2 Do.				
40 3 Do.				
200 @ ½ p lb 100	115	—		
Granadoes 60 @ 2½	150	—		
10 ps Dungaree	75	—		
2 small Gun Carriages Ship Do.	140	—		
Salloes 4 ps Red, 1 white & 1 Blue	63	8		
Goa Arrack 6 hhds at different prices	555.	—		
			1501.	4
Broad Cloth for 7 Yds Scarlet to Ensign Adams @ 30 ℔ Yard			210	—
Warehouse Stores for 7 small Cardamom Chests			140	—
	Fanams		3054	4

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ WM. FORBES, *Storekeeper.*

ANTº. PAIS IN ACCOT. WITH THE Hº. COMPANY.

1735 May 2.					Dr.		
		rs.	s.				
	To 500 Cheqs less wte. 2 4 Nett 497 5 Exchª. at Mangalore for 490½ @ 11 Gulegar Vis 9½ ea is Pags. Iccari	575.	6.	4¾			
	To 709 Dº. less Wte. 3. 5½ Nett 69[6] 3. 8 Exchª. at Mangalore for 695. – @ 11 Gulr. 8 vis is	799.	2.	8			
	To 475 Dº. less Wt. 2. 7 Nett 472. 2 Exchª. at Mangalore for 471. 3 Dº. @ 11 Vis. 7¼	539.	8.	3¾			
					1914	7	½
	To Balance	..	..		55	2	—
					1969	9	½

PER CONTRA.

1735 May 2.					Crr.				
	By Rice Chamsall for 5082 or 121 Corge Viz 1470 by a Munchua ..	Pagª. @ 15¼ is	533.	7.	8				
	2100 or 50 Corge by Chatoo Chittys Munchua ..	@ 15⅜ is	768.	7.	8				
	1260 or 30 Corge Ψ ship Joey ..	@ 15⅛ is	453.	7.	8				
	252 or 6 Corge Ψ Dº. Jenny ..	@ Dº. is	90.	7.	8				
						1847	—		
	Bʸ. 5082. 121 Corge.								
	By Adlame ½ pagoda Ψ Corge	60.	5.	—					
	By Embarkg. & embaleing 36 Corge	12.	5.	10					
						73	—[..]		
	By 105 bucketts ..	9.	—	—					
	By 10 Maunds Caute.	12.	5.	—					
	By 10 Dº. Jagree ..	4.	5.	—					
	By Account Presents Warehouse room Colleys Assisting &cª.	23.	8.	6½					
						49.	8.[..]		
					Pogodas	1969.	9.[½]		

ERRORS EXCEPTED
Ψ ANTONIO PAIS.

NB. This Accot. ought to follow the Consultation of the 11th Instant.

— *MAY 1735* —

Certain Notice is brought us, that the Misure Army consisting of between Two & Three Thousand Horse & Upwards of Twenty Thousand Foot, have Actualy enterd the Samorines Territorves in land & made a Considerable Progress in reduceing the same, & as no resistance has yet been made Against them, It is feared they will be able to March to Penany, the Samorine not seeming to be in a Condition of withstanding them, nor has he made the proper disposition for it. THURSDAY 8.

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 11.

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Antonio Pais di Almeida the person employd in the Purchase of rice at Mangalore lays before the Board his Account thereof, which being examined & found right, the Balance due to him being Fifty five & an half Pagodas at Three Hundred Fifty Three & an half Rupees ℔ Hundred Pagodas Amounting to One Hundred ninety Six Rupees & seventy seven raes the same is directed to be paid him together with a gratuity of Fifty Rupees for his trouble. Rice Account laid before the Board.

On Saturday last some of the Canaree Horse proceeded to Guard a Number of Cooleys under our Fortress of Tachara lying on Durmapatam where they cut down some of the Trees & carried them away, notwithstanding our people forbid their so doing, & as our Family suffering this, from the Experience we have had of these people, will naturally produce farther Insults, the Board are Unanimous in Opinion, that the Chief do forthwith write a Letter of Complaint to the Canaree General on the above Subject, declaring our resolution to Oppose them by force, in case they should proceed in the like manner hereafter It is also AGREED the officer in command on Durmapatam be directed to Annoy the Canarees in the best manner he can from the Fortresses on the above occasion provided our complaint is not duly regarded. Canarees cutt down Trees on Durmapatam. Resolution thereon.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 19.

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

The Canaree General in Answer to the Letter the Chief wrote him taken notice of in the preceeding consultation, seems not to Justifie the proceedings of his people on the Contrary promises to prevent the like in the best manner he can, but as we cannot certainly depend on him, the Chief gave the Officers on Durmapatam Orders conformable to the foregoing resolution. Letter from the Canaree General.

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& Ola from the Samorine

An Ola is now read from the Samorine, setting forthe the Misure Army having enterd his Country, & destroyd two of his principal places, & as he has hitherto found the Company his fast friends in the time of his destress, [sic] hopes for a continuance thereof, & that we will direct our Callicut Linguist to repair to him with all Expedition.

Considerd of.

Taking this point into consideration It is Observed; This King does still forbear Answering the Chiefs Ola concerning his debt, nor has he this Year paid us a fanam, & since the troubles which now Attend him are likely to be expensive, we have little reason to believe he will be in a condition of delivering us any Money, nay rather we conceive his wanting to see the Linguist is in order to Solicite for a farther Loan, and therefore it is AGREED we give him for Answer, that as our Linguist cannot have a Sufficient Authority to conclude anything with him, that he will be pleased to dispatch hither one of his Ministers with full power to treate & determine on whatever may be Judged necessary.

Answer given.

Chatoo Chittys Munchua released.

Our Callicut Linguist in a Letter to the Chief represents his having detaind with him the Letter wrote the Samorine mentiond the 8th. Instant concerning the Seizure of a Munchua belonging to our Merchant Chitty Ch[atoo] as the Government make a tender of returning her, notwithstanding Canaree was Actualy the Purchaser of the Munchuas Lading, & did not saile with our Colours, so they Judged the detaining her Lawfull by w[ay] of reprizal for several of their boats at this time stopt at Mangalore, since the case seems to us Such; AGREED we direct the said Linguist to [send] her back with everything belonging to her, & that we do in future, in or[der] to prevent the like afford the said Chitty our Pass & Colours for such boats belonging to him as are immediately his property Apprehending his being the Companys Merchant Justifies us in so doing.

Directions given to our Callicut Lingst thereon.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

WEDNESDAY 21.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

10000 rupees adva. the Chitty.

Chatoo Chitty representing his not having bought up all the Pepper we have contracted with him for, & that he is in want of money for the same, The Board upon a View of his Account do apprehend no danger in advancing him the sum of Ten Thousand Rupees, as there is a likelyhood of speedily recieving all the Pepper provided the weather will permit its being brought in.

Directed the Treasury do Accordingly Issue out the above sum.

Letter wrote the Samorine relating to the Chittys Munchua.

Our Callicut Linguist in a private Letter to the Chief sets forth, that the Governour of Callicut, does not refuse delivering up the Munchua of Chatoo Chitty above taken notice of, upon which the Chief wrote the Samorine another Letter, renewing his Complaint of this Treatment & which letter the Linguist had directions to send away soon after the forwarding the former which is Approved of.

Adjourned

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

WEDNESDAY 4.

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

[me]thods [co]nsiderd of Expelling the [Ca]narees.

The Prince Cunhi Homo we are given to Understand by our Linguist now present, has lately recieved sundry Messages from the King of Cotata earnestly pressing his Joining for routing the Canarees, but the said Prince we are Assured, was so far from giving a favourable reception to the Messengers, that he Speedily dismissd them, with this short reply that whatever the King might have to offer in regard to this Bussiness, ought to be made to us here, as his Confidence was such in us, that he would govern himself Absolutely by our Advice, This we suppose is the Occasion of the said Kings writing sundry Olah lately to our Linguist the last of which is now read to the board, Importing that althô he has a very sincere inclination to deposite the money, we have often required for security to the Charges in the said Enterprize, yet through the troubles lately Attending him, which have Occasiond very large disbursements he has it not in his power to lay down ready money, but will take care to provide for the Maintainance of Three Thousand Nairs formerly required by the Prince to Assist in driving the Canarees over Billiapatam & always in future preserve a strict Friendship with the Honble Company & appropriate the Merchandize of his Country to them only & withall that we are not to understand this as a bare Complement, but flowing from his sincere Intentions.

Ola from tho King of Cotata.

Our Linguist Informs us further of the Princes being exceeding desirous of entering on Action Against the Canarees, as soon as possible, conceiving that with our Assistance, Joind to the Force he & Cotata can raise there will be a great probability of subdueing the Canaree force now on Durmapatam, as they are unprovided with money for payment of their Wages are few in Number, & have not provisions till the End of August & that if the present opportunity is Neglected, tis probable one so favourable, may not offer in any reasonable time, if at all.

Further Notice from our Linguist.

We are & have always been sensible how much the Interest of this Settlement may be effected by the Canaree Conquest, to the depriving us of all the Priviledges we have obtaind in this Country & their Continuance immediately robs us of the benefit we expected to make from the Trees & Grounds on Durmapatam, which however well Secured by any Fortifications we may make, must be renderd of no Utility in Case those Invaders Master the Country, and therefore these reasons, exclusive of many Others which might be offerd are of weight enough to induce us, to undertake giving our Assistance towards their Expulsion, but our dread is & has hitherto been that the Mallabars may in case of a repulse (which the fortune of war Subjects every one to) prove backward in supporting the cause with due Vigour & leave [us] in a troublesome & perplexd dispute, with those people. Tho as the Mallabars Ju[dge] their Making the Attempt by themselves not so secure as in Conjunction with [us] & without which tis probable things may run on as they are, we do Apprehend [we] shall be Justified in running some risque in Attempting to free our Trade, from insupportable an Evil, & since the Prince (whose wellfare entirely depends on [his] success) is now so earnest to risque it, which he was not inclinable to before, we the Appearing with him, and his Allies to be preferd to risquing the Consequence, which may ensue by letting the Canarees take their own Course, for tis to be Considerd that if Cotata be subdued, he may probably follow the Princes steps in Joining with them against Boyanore & other Powers Southward, to the rendering this Enemy Master of the whole Kingdom of Colastree, the Board therefore Animated by the Latitude given us by our Superiours, & the hopes of a favourable Issue do Unanimously Agree to Join with the Prince & Cotata & their Allies for routing the Canarees (after using our best endeavours for gaining a deposite of as much money as can possibly be raised for Carrying

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Resolution.

on the Undertaking) since farther delays may introduce worse mischiefs, & as we find, after all our efforts, the getting as much money as we Judge Necessary, impracticable.

Letters from B: bay of the 9th Ulto. taken under Consideration.

Our Superiours in their last Commands of the 9th & 11th April are pleased to remark that the small fortress we propose building Near the cent[re] of Durmapatam, on the most commanding hill, will be to little, Supposing it to be of the demensions we advised of Twenty four yards for the length of each Curtane, & the Bastions carrying five Guns, since it Cannot contain the proper Accomodations, admitting it should hereafter be thought proper to render that the Head settlement, they therefore recommend to us a Serious Consideration of this Affair, & withall let them know whether removing to Durmapatam will in the end, be preferable to the continuing here and in such case, to have only here a small work with the warhouses, as they now are, and another place at Codolee, that so a timely resolution may be taken, & when once the design is settled to stick to it, for the remaining doubtfull whether to remain here or remove thither will probably Occasion considerable Expence without any Utility, & all things considerd, they recommend to us, to Build at once, the Principal Fort on Durmapatam large enough to contain all conveniencys of Lodging &c[a]. as whether or no it may be Judged proper to remove thither at present, they are willing to provide against Any Accident that may happen, from the Uncertainty, under what power the Mallabar Country may at last be fixd, they should be glad to be more secure of footing therein, & a share of its trade than can be depended on from our present Scituation.

In order to settle our Judment [sic] in the preceding Affair, we have endeavourd to make ourselves [sic] Master of the Nature of the Scituation of Durmapatam by viewing the same, at times with the utmost care, & consulting the Engineer thereon, tis our United Opinion, that the place on which we intended to build the Fortress beforementiond of Twenty four yards Curtane with four Bastions carrying five Guns each, as it will be Two & a quarter Miles distance from the Sea Westward; two Miles from the entrance of the river Trentapatam & the same from that of Codolee can be in no wise suitable for the Commanding those rivers, nor would it be prudent to intend it, for the Principal Fortress considering the several Hills & valleys about it to the seaward may enable a powerfull Enemy, to cut of its Communication & it will be highly inconvenient for the residence of the Companys servants, or Security of their Merchandize, for we conceive it ought to be a standing Maxim, with us to have our main place bordering on the sea, in such a manner as the Communication therefrom cannot be cut off, & since there is as Appears to us a convenient Hill calld Atarra, at the entrance of Trentapatam lying on a point opposite to Grove Island, & secured from any Anoyance by sea, through the Shoales & Rock's thereabouts, which place is likewise most convenient for shipping off Goods, the same will be undoubtedly more suitable in all respects than any other, on the Island for raising the Principal Fortress defending the Buzar Warehouses &c[a]. but as the Hill near the Center of the Island aforesaid ought to be secured for Guarding the parts Adjacent, a small work there, whether of a round Tower or a redout is necessary to be erected, & may be Garrisond with a few men so that according to this Scheme provided due care be had in raising a regular & Convenient Fortification on the aforesaid Hill Atarra it will be very difficult to desposes us.

We are next to consider the conveniencys & inconveniencys likely to Attend the removing to Durmapatam leaving only a small work at Tellicherry & Codolee & we are likewise to weigh how far it may be expedient to leave the Warehouses here for preventing of building others.

The conveni-ency's of remove to Dumapatam set forth.

And first as to the conveniencys in removing to Durmapatam, the Island by being made over to the H[o]. Company by the Prince will admitting the Canarees removed thence become our immediate property, & under our own Government & from the lands thereon with time & pains, great Improvements may be made in

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Cultivating Coconut Trees, Paddy, Pepper & Salt Pans, from Whence tis presumed a revenue may Arise in a few years of about Sixty Thousand fanams which will in some measure ease the Expence of Maintaining the Garrison.

By being Scituated in the Center of the Pepper Country surrounded with rivers, leading to Cotata, Bengat, & other places from whence this Comm[odity] is Usually brought may be a means of giving us a better Security thereof then we can have by holding Tellicherry.

Our Possessing this place prevents either the Dutch French or others from getting footing thereon, & will have an influence on Randotarra lying to the Northward of it, which Annually Supplys a large quantity of Pepper & the dependance Cotata will have on us, will probably contribute to the keeping him in a better disposition towards us than he has shown for some time past.

The Inconveniencys of removing to Durmapatam.

The inconveniencys that are likely to attend our removing to Durmapa[tam] Exclusive of the great sum that will be sunk thrô leaving Tellicherry a considerable charge must unavoidably Attend the razing the works, as they are so well Cemented, & tis to be Apprehended the Carrying the stone to Durmapatam will cost full as much as the Cutting others there, and another Charge must follow, in forming a Convenient small place, capable of being defended by a few men, at Tellicherry for preserving our Title to it, & preventing its being Seized by any other Europe Nation, besides what will be more heavy then all the raising new Works on Durmapatam.

Our non residence at Tellicherry may Occasion the Country of Irrebenadu to be more than heretofore under the Influence of the French & a small part of the Pepper to be carried away by them, Cuny Nair our old Antagonist, may also if due care is not taken recover his Lands, & by being Supported by the French may subdue Narranport Nair, to the Occasioning disturbances at Tellicherry, & which will be the severely felt, shoud Moylan be vacated, thô on this point an Expedient will be proposed hereafter.

Warehouse on Durmapatam Judged proper.

It Occurs to us that altho Tellicherry is more convenient for Landing & Shipping off Goods then Durmapatam yet the Continuing the Warehouses there, to be defended by a small number of men, will not be so safe, as their being at the head settlement, & as frequently the Companys Estate to a Considerable Amount is Lodged in them, we think the Utmost regard should be had to their preservation.

A remedy proposed for the Inconveniencys y^t^ may attend our withdrawing the Garrison [lacuna.]

For the providing Against the Mischiefs which we ought to Apprehend may Attend Tellicherry by vacating Moylan & giving Cuny Nair an opportunity of subdueing Narranport, & Occasion Troubles here, the Board are of opinion, that as the keeping of said Moylan will be too great an Expence for the Company It will be best resigning it to the Prince, alloting to him the benefit now Coming to us from Cuny Nairs Grounds, & for a better security that it may not be lost thrô his Neligence, 'tis conceived he will readily Agree for the paying us for such a Number of men, as we may think Necessary for defending it, by which means the place will be in Effect as one of our own, while we are exempt from any Charge about it, & then tis very probable Cuny Nair will make no Attempts in disturburbing [sic] the district of Tellicherry, nor the French that place. while we continue to hoist our Colours which will always be in our power to do when we think proper tho at the same time the board are sensible The Heirs of the Prince may be less attachd to us, & we run a risque hereafter of Mischeifs on that Account, but as there is no doubt to be made of the Companys Willingness to continue the payment of the Customs, self Interest tis believed will be Byas enough to them in time to come.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HU. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Accounts for May passed.

The following Accounts for last month being laid before the Board for their perusal are accordingly examined & passed as enterd hereafter vizt.

The Chiefs Treasury Account it's Balance at close being vizt.

Rupees	23931	1	52
Foreign Silver	3734¼		

The General Paymaster his Account of disbursements with the Warehouse-keeper & Storekeeper their Accounts of receipts & Issues, also the Stewards Accounts of sundrys Supplyd & Charges paid on the Dolphin & Antilope Galevats amounting to fanams One Thousand Nine Hundred & fifty nine & Thirteen Vis which is directed to be discharged.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

1735	Rupees Dr.	Rupees	Qrs.	rs.
May 1	To Balance of last month	15776	2	4
6	To Apa Putterah taken of him at Interest in Dollars and Rupees Amounting to Rupees 1300 .. Recieved in part	7121	2	5[5]
8	To Ana Futterah & Mani Sabiem taken of them this day at Interest	15000	—	—
7	To Eyta Achem Chitty Ditto of him ..	20000	—	—
12	To William Forbes Storekeeper the Amount of him account sale from the 1st of February to the last of April is 3 months	610	3	40
	To the King of Cotata receieved back of what Advanced for Pepper	191	3	70
	Rupees ..	61700	3	69

1735	Per Contra Cr.			Rupees	Qrs.	r.
May 6	By Chatoo Chitty Advanced him for Pepper ..			15000	—	—
7	By Garrison Stores for 39 Cow hides recieved of Manl. Roderigoes in March			39	—	—
9	By Dolphin Galvet Charges pd her people for March & April ..	542	2 30			
	Paid the Stewards Charges on Dº. for April	107	3 30			
				650	1	60
	By Antilope Dº. her people for March & April	341	2 —			
	Paid the Stewards Charges for April.	38	1 40			
				379	3	40
12	By Hugh Howard Pr. advanced for Charges			2000	—	—
	By Voyage to Mangalore Vizt					
	Paid Antonio Pais the Balance of his Account of Rice, bought for the Companys Use	196	— 77			
	Ditto for his trouble in buying Ditto	50	— —	246	—	77
	By Badamalah Putterah Advanced for Pepper ..			4000	—	—
19	By Chunam for 5463 bales bought for Durmapatam vizt					
	4504 at 15 Vis each		4222½			
	300 at 90 fanams ₰ Ct. ..		270			
				898	2	—
	652 allowed for short measure.		4492½ @ 5.			
	5463					
21	By Chatoo Chitty for Pepper ..		..	1000	—	—
31	By Hugh Howard Paymaster ..		..	4500	—	—
	By Account Presents vizt.					
	To Cacart Nombier at the Feast of Boe	24	— —			
	To Chandrote Nombier & his Ministers	31	2 40			
				55	2	40
				37769	2	17
	By Balance			23931	1	52
	Rupees ..			61700	3	69

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1735 Foreign Silver	Dr.	Dollars.	Per Contra.	Cr.	Dollars.
May 1 To Balance of last month ..		1000	May 31 By Balance		3734¼
6 To Apa Puterah taken of him at Interest @ 10¾ fanams ea being in part of Rupees 13000 to run @ 10 ℔ Ct. till paid recieved		2734¼			
		3734¼			3734¼

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May 31. 1735.

Errors Excepted
℔ Stephen Law.

Abstract of the General Paymaster his Account of Disbursements for the Month of May 1735 Vizt.

Garrison Charges	19862	5
Charges on Durmapatam Island	12335	2
Charges occasiond by the Canaree Invasion	4730	3
Fortifications & repairs	329	14
Rice	45	4
Stable Charges	52	8
Servants Wages	930	—
Board Wages	1350	—
Hospital Charges	887	8
Charges on Merchandize	188	—
Petty Charges	752	2
Fanams	41462	14

Tuesday 10 Engineer Witherby dies.

This morning Dyed Mr. Francis Witherby of a Feavour & Flux, who a little time before his death, desired the Chief take care of his effects and an Inventory thereof was taken in our Presence.

Monday 16

Agreable to our Usual Method at this time of the Season, dispatchd a Pattamar to Bombay with our General Letter to the Ho. President & Council setting forth the present posture of affairs at this Settlement, & enclosed them Duplicate of our last dated the 18th April with the sundry Papers Annualy required.

Tuesday 24 Letters to Calliout B : bay & Fort St. George.

Wrote a Letter to the Callicut Linguist, enclosing our Pacquet for the Honble President & Council of Bombay which we directed him to forward there by proper persons but if such could not be got then to send it away to Madrass together with our Letter to the President & Council relating thereto.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

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THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

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The following Accounts for last Month being laid before the Board for their Inspection, are accordingly examind & passed, as enterd hereafter viz

The Chiefs Treasury Accounts It's Balance at close being viz

Rupees	18881.	1. 47
Foreign Silver	3734¼	

The General Paymaster his account of disbursements with the Warehousekeeper & Storekeeper their Account of receipts and Issues, also the Stewards Account of sundries supplyd the Dolphin & Antilope Galevats amounting to ffanams, six Hundred and twelve vis which is directed to be descharged.

The Account Salary due to the Hoñble Companys Covenant servants commencing January 2d 1734/5 & ending the 1st Instant Amounting to Rupees seven Hundred Thirty two is Directed to be paid out of the Treasury.

Adjourn'd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

Account Salary due to the Hº. Companys Covenanted Servants at Tellicherry Commencing the 2ᵈ. of January 1734/5 and Ending the 1ˢᵗ July 1735 Inclusive Vizᵗ.

Person's Name	Station.	Time. Commencing. 1734/5	Time. Ending. 1735	Mo.	Dys.	Salary. £.	Salary. s.	Salary. d.	Sallary due £.	Sallary due s.	Sallary due d.	Rups.	Qrs.	Rs.
The Worshipfull Stephen Law Esqr.	Chief ..	January 2d.	July 1st.	6	—	40	—	—	20	—	—	160	—	—
William Forbes	Senr. Mercht.	Ditto.	Ditto.	6	—	40	—	—	20	—	—	160	—	—
Hugh Howard	ditto.	ditto.	Ditto.	6	—	40	—	—	20	—	—	160	—	—
William Jeynson	Ditto.	Ditto.	ditto.	6	—	40	—	—	20	—	—	160	—	—
Ditto	for reading ..	Divine Service	..	6	Months	—	..	..	..	..	..	72	—	—
Richard Lynch	Writer ..	January 2d.	July 1st.	6	@	5	—	—	2	10	—	20	—	—
									Rupees ..			732	—	—

Errors Excepted
℔ Stephen Law.

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THE PAYMASTERS ABSTRACT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 1735.

Garrison Charges	18716	4
Charges on Durmapatam Island	6360	7
Charges occasiond by the Canaree Invasion	4640	14
Stable Charges	51	8
Servants Wages	930	—
Board Wages	1350	—
Hospital Charges	882	14
Charges on Merchandize	411	2
Petty Charges	391	11
Garrison Stores	45	—
Fortifications & repairs	158	4
Fanams	33938	—

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. SATURDAY 12
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLM. JEYNSON.

Proposals made Cotata ye. Nombiers &cs. for Expelling the Canarees.

Notwithstanding our frequent endeavours for Accomplishing the Scheme proposed in our Consultation under the 4th Ulto. nothing has been communicated to us of Moment relating thereto till this day by olas from the King of Cotata the Heads of the Nombiars & Narangola Nombiar, we understand those Powers are willing to Joyn as soon as Possible in one common Confederacy for expelling the Cannarees the Mallabar Territories, and the Princes Minister that attended the Consultation held by those Aforesaid represents it will be impossible to Obtain a greater sum in support of the Undertaking than Two Hundred Ninety seven Thousand five Hundred ffanams namely.

From the Prince Cunhi Homo	200000	—
ditto the King of Cotata	60000	—
Ditto the four Nombiars	25000	—
Do. Narangole Nombiars Curringhoda	12500	—
	297500	—

which sum is to be deposited in our hands towards defraying the Necessary Expences, and when the same may be expended, The Prince engages to supply us with what more may be wanted, he in particular being exceeding desirous that this Affair may be settled with all Expedition, in Order to proceed on Action & ye King of Cotata gives us hopes, the French will afford what people they can on the Interprize.

Debated on

The Necessity of using Means for driving these Invaderz from their Conquest has been already amply set forth & therefore since the Interest of our Ho. Masters can be in no Security here without it be[ing] Effected, We Judge we must forward this design, but as the conducting therof must Naturaly depend on the Judgment of the Prince, We conceive his Presence here for weighing & considering this point is Absolutely Necessary and accordingly, It is AGREED he be wrote to for his repairing hither, & that he Uses the best Methods in his power for keeping the Canarees in the Dark, for on that depends in a great Measure the Success, It is also thought proper that we should see the King of Cotata provided it may be done with such Secrecy as the Canarees be not apprized of it.

Resolution.

Some preparations Agreed to be made.

As the Assistance we may be able to afford in the prement[ioned] Undertaking can be but little considering the many places we have to Maintain, It behoves us to be very Cautious & proceed with as much security as possible, and to which end the

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better to preserve our people from the Violence of the Enemys Attack Cheveaux de Frises and Field Carriages for small Guns of two & three Pounders should be in readyness, but haveing few Carpenters & Smiths here for Compleating that work, directed a Letter be wrote to our Callicut Linguist for his sending hither as soon as possible Twenty Mallabar Carpenters & Ten Good Smiths.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

SATURDAY 12 Letter from Callicut

Our Callicut Linguist in a Letter recievd this day from him, informs us of his not having been able to procure proper Persons [to] Carry our Packett to Bombay & therefore he sent it to Madrass Agre[able] to our Directions.

THURSDAY 17 Letter from Anjengo.

This day came to hand a Letter from the Chief & Factors at Anjengo dated the 4th Instant, in Answer to ours of the 5th April, & giving us Notice of the Charges they have been at in Conducting hither the Madrass detachment, for which they have debted account Currt. Bombay.

ATT A CONSULTATION

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THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF.
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Behaviour of the King of Cotata remarkd on.

The King of Cotata seeming very willing to execute with speed the Measures for expelling the Canarees taken Notice of in the preceeding Consultation, It was thought proper to propose to him by our Braminee Messenger that he should in token of his Friends[hip] to us deliver an Authentick Writing of his Quitting all claim or Pretensions to the Island of Durmapatam, and so prevent in future any Misunderstanding between us on that Head, & likewise perform what he has at times hinted, that the trade of his Country should be appropriated to the Honble Company in preference to all others; but his Answer sufficiently demonstrates that he only Aiming to make use of our Assistance Against the Canarees, and afterwards renew his demands on us, on account of this Island, for he flatly denys gratifying us in either of the above points, at the same time loudly complaining of our refusing him the loans he has often desired in support of the great Charge he has been lately exposed to, while the French with abundance of Alacrity have constantly furnish[ed] him with everything he wanted & still continue the same favours.

Wheat resolved relating thereto.

We have long experienced the base disposition of said King & from whence we may reasonably conclude any shew of Friendship expressd towards us at this time is all a griemace in Order to Engage our Assistance, so that Caution is immediately Necessary on our parts, that we do not Expose our Masters affairs to the Mischiefs which must Attend a fruitless Attempt against the Canarees, however that we may Consider better on this matter, AGREED we continue to Shew the same disposition as heretofore & wait the coming of the Prince for taking final resolutions.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

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THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. WEDNESDY
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD. 23
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

A Small Fort on the Principal Eminence of Durmapatam Agreed to be set about.

Haveing a Considerable Number of Stones & Chunam in readyness on the Principal Eminence on Durmapatam, & since that spot through its distance from the sea & entrance of the rivers can be in no wise Suitable for erecting the Principal Fortification, It is Judged that a small strong work raised there, with the Materials Aforesaid ought to be sett about as soon as possible, since the present softness of the Earth, with the rains will render the digging part easier than it can be in the dry season, & considering we have now one Hundred & fourty men therein, which are Absolutely Necessary for its defence, as the Works are but in an indifferent condition, that the Canarees are fronting it, whose Friendship we cannot rely on, The Secureing the place in the Manner aforementiond, is Unanimously esteemd to be requisite, and Accordingly It is directed a plan be drawn of the proposed work, & the Utmost care be had in rendering it strong, capable of resisting any Batterys that may happen to be raised against it in time to come.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

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Relation of what passed [bet]ween the [Can]aree Genl & our Braminee [Me]ssenger.

Our Braminee Messenger who lately Attended the Canaree General in order to remove any Suspicions he may entertain of our endeavouring to Unite with the Country against him, gives us Notice that in the discourse had with him concerning this part of the Country, and what it was he require[d] of them, declaring he could Accept of nothing less then the being permitted to erect a Fortress in the Country of Cotata, & another in that of Irrebenadu, to have the King of Canara ownd as Sovereign, & as such Authorized in Collecting the same rents from the Coconut Trees & Paddy Grounds, as are Paid in the Kingdom of Canara to be paid Fifteen Thousand Pagodas that he has disbursed since his leaving Cadalay, & put in possession of the large sum of Money Carried from the Pagoda of Taliparembut into Cotata Country and as to that of Boyanore if we desired it, he would give in his demands by all which it apears their scheme is laid for Actualy Conquering the whole Country.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN LAW ESQR. CHIEF. THURSDAY
WILLIAM FORBES. HUGH HOWARD. 24
WILLIAM JEYNSON.

Manl Roiz's Accot of rents & revenuee perused & some remarks made thereon.

Manoel Roderigues our Second Linguist the Person entrusted in Collecting the Honble Companys rents & revenues, lays before the Board his Account thereof for last year as enterd hereafter & being askd why no more than One Hundred Eighteen ffanams & eight vis has been paid on account the old debts due from the Renters of the Paddy Grounds, gives for answer, that one of the Tivees who owes a Considerable part, & has been for sometime Arrested cannot be prevailed on to pay the same through his present indigence, However it is AGREED that Head continue on the Books as perhaps their may be a possibility of recovering it.

Adjournd.

STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HH. HOWARD.
WM. JEYNSON.

	Manoel Rodrigues on Accot. rents & revenues.					Dr. Dungs.
July 24	To rents & revenues vizt.					
	Nelly for the whole produce of last Year					30360
	Ditto from Coconut Grounds					98
						30458 @
	8 pr. fanam is			3807	4	
	Rent of 14 Coconut Oarts	219	8			
	D°. 28 Tivee Houses & Moylan & Putinha ..	112	—			
	D° Jungadoes of D°.	40	8			
	D°. 10 Shops at Moylan..	25	4			
	300 Dangoys Gingely ..	42	—			
	Rent of 16 Fishing netts at Tellicherry	150	—			
	D°. 6 at Moylan	90	—			
	D°. 11½ at Durmapatam..	11	4			
	D°. 39 Mucka Houses at Moylan	39	—			
				729	8	
				4536	12	
	Deduct Charges Collecting vizt.					
	12 Months Pay to Cutty Putterah.	300	—			
	Nayr boys	98	—			
				398	—	
						4138 12 —
	To renters of the Paddy Grounds received what—					
	advanced for seed ..	15000	—			
	Interest 10 ℔ Ct. ..	1500	—			
	Dangoys ..	16500 @ 8				2062 8 —
	To Old debts due by the renters of Pady Grounds recoverd 948 Dangoys @ 8 pr. fanam					118 8 —
						6319 1 [..]

	Per Contra.				Cr.
	By Nelley for 11481 Dangoys deliverd into the Hon. Companys Warehouse in October @ 8 Dangoys pr. fanam	1435	2		
	By renters of the Paddy Grounds for 15000 Dangoys Nelley advanced them for seed as Usual @ 8 pr. fanam	1875	—		
				3310	2 —
	By Cash paid into the Treasury			3009	1 [..]
			fanams.	6319	1 [..]

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